

Final BULLETINS

Hint Big Force Gathering Here

OTTAWA (CP) — First hint from a Canadian minister that United Nations naval forces are gathering on the west coast, presumably in preparation for an all-out offensive against the Japanese in the Pacific, was contained in a statement made in the Commons this afternoon by Munitions Minister Howe.

After saying no relaxation of fuel oil restrictions could be permitted in British Columbia, the Minister added: "Demands for heavy fuel oil from the west coast for the fleets of the United Nations require the full production of west coast refineries."

13th Traffic Death

VANCOUVER (CP) — Manley Orr, 65, died in a hospital today from injuries received Feb. 17 when he was struck by an automobile. This brought Vancouver's traffic death toll for 1944 to 13.

Hopes Rome Spared

NEW YORK (AP) — Archbishop Francis J. Spellman deplored today the reported bombing of Castel Gandolfo, the Pope's summer home, and expressed the hope Rome might be spared a similar assault.

92 Jap Ships Sunk In Last 3 Weeks

WASHINGTON (AP) — U.S. Navy Secretary Frank Knox reported this afternoon the destruction of 92 Japanese vessels in the last three weeks, but warned "there is nothing to justify any estimates of an early end of the war in the Pacific."

Expect 500 Lay-offs

Anticipating lay-offs here in the next two weeks amounting to 500 men, the Boiler-makers' and Iron Shipbuilders' Union, Local No. 2, will meet at 8 o'clock in the K. of P. Hall to draft policy and establish an unemployed section in the union.

Doukhobors Revolt

BRILLIANT, B.C. (CP) — Sons of Freedom gathered here today surrounded the automobile of John Verigin, leader of the Union of Communities of Christ sect of the Doukhobors, and refused to let him enter it. This is the first act of obstruction reported since Doukhobors of the racial Sons of Freedom sect began gathering in the Kootenays and marching from one settlement to another.

Quake Rocks Turkey

LONDON (CP) — The Berlin radio said today an earthquake had shaken portions of western Anatolia in Turkey. The broadcast, recorded by the Associated Press, gave no details.

L.A. Schools Close

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Los Angeles city schools were closed today due to lack of heat and light, partly caused by a strike of employees of the department of water and power, and to flood conditions. Superintendents of schools Vierling Kersey said the schools would open tomorrow unless conditions prevent.

C.P.A. to Ask Route to Seattle

SEATTLE (AP) — Canadian Pacific Air Lines will seek permission to extend its service to a Seattle-Victoria route as soon as the Canadian government again considers new route applications. C. L. "Punch" Dickins, vice-president and general manager, said here today.

Dickins, accompanied by Grant McConachie, western division manager, conferred with company officials here.

Police Commission In House Committee

Victoria city electorate's request that an elective police commission be restored came before the Legislature's municipal affairs committee.

It met no opposition, members of the committee agreeing the electorate's wish should be met.

F. L. Shaw, city solicitor, told the committee Victoria had voted two months ago, 4,986 to 1,067 for restoration of an elective police commission.

The committee will consider the request in camera and make its recommendation to the Legislature. The request is expected to be granted and an amendment made to the Municipal Act.

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City temperatures for 24 hours: ***
Min. 36; Max. 51.

VICTORIA SUNSHINE CITY
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Bigger Bombings for Germans!

2-Way Attack Blasts Germany North and South

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS, NAPLES (AP) — The greatest force of Allied bombers ever sent against a single target by the Mediterranean Allied air force today bombed the Messerschmitt factories at Regensburg, Germany.

Regensburg, 50 miles north of Munich, was bombed in the first co-ordinated attack on German targets by bombers based both in Italy and England.

Plane Factories, Other Plants Hit

LONDON (AP) — Announcing the first co-ordinated air attack on Germany from bases in the United Kingdom and Italy, U.S. army headquarters today said the combined assault was made by the U.S. Eighth and 15th Air Forces and was "the third major daylight bombing operation in as many days aimed at destruction of Germany's capacity to maintain an aerial offensive against further bombing," the announcement said.

"Our bomber divisions were supported by fighters of the 8th, 9th and 15th Air Forces and R.A.F., Dominion and Allied Spitfires."

This joint blow followed two consecutive attacks by nearly 2,000 U.S. heavy bombers and fighters each time from Britain, against aircraft factories and airfields in Germany Sunday and Monday, and pulverizing R.A.F. R.C.A.F. blows against Leipzig Saturday night and Stuttgart Sunday night, involving together about 1,800 planes.

51 Nazi Fighters Bagged in 1 Day

"Final assessment of victories in the air during Monday's operations by our British-based heavy bombers shows the bombers destroyed 15 enemy fighters, bringing to 51 the total number shot down that day. The destruction of 33 by American fighters was announced previously," headquarters added.

No details on today's concerted assault were disclosed immediately.

Earlier in the day U.S. and British medium and light bombers had jabbed at enemy targets in the Netherlands and northern France.

The Berlin radio said Allied bombers had attacked southern Germany, the Danube and Alps areas at noon.

The combined assault was co-ordinated and directed by the U.S. Strategic Air Force, commanded by Lt. Gen. Carl A. Spaatz.

While it was in progress Prime Minister Churchill in a war report told the House of Commons that Allied bombers from Italy and Britain would search out every corner of Germany to destroy the enemy's war industries.

U.S. Marauders sprayed bombs on the strategic German airfield at Gilze-Rijen today.

A German raid on England Monday night barely disturbed London, only a handful of Nazi planes crossed the Channel, dropping a few bombs in southern England. "Little damage and a small number of casualties were reported," an official announcement said.



OUR WAY—Slightly different from the way Japs treat prisoners of war is the tender care being given to this wounded Nip, being transferred at sea from a U.S. destroyer to an aircraft carrier, where he can get complete medical service.

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7 Streetcar Strikers Charged in Montreal

MONTREAL (CP) — Seven employees of the Montreal Tramways Company were arraigned in criminal court today and pleaded not guilty to charges laid in connection with a 30-hour strike that tied up street cars and buses here last week-end.

They were released on \$25 bail each. Judge Maurice Tetreau advised them "to keep peace and order between now and the day set for your trial."

They are all charged with "participating illegally" in the strike.

President Vetoes U.S. Tax Bill

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Roosevelt tossed the \$2,315,000,000 tax bill back to Congress today with a veto message in which he described it as "wholly ineffective" and a relief measure "not for the needy but for the greedy."

In a message to the House of Representatives, already rumbling with talk of over-riding the veto, Mr. Roosevelt said the bill would enrich the treasury by less than \$1,000,000,000 net a year.

1 Killed, 5 Saved

OTTAWA (CP) — Five crew members of a Liberator bomber down on the east coast are alive but FO David Griffin, former Toronto newspaperman, was killed in the crash of the big aircraft, it was learned here today.

The Eastern Air Command at Halifax announced that the only passenger aboard the plane was killed, and that it was learned here later that Griffin was the passenger.

Russians Take Krivoi Rog: Loss To Nazi Industry

LONDON (CP) — Capture of Krivoi Rog, last German stronghold in the Dnieper bend area, was announced today in an order of the day issued by Premier Stalin, recorded by the Soviet monitor here.

Stalin announced the fall to the Red Army of the great iron ore centre shortly after the Berlin radio had broadcast an announcement that the Nazis had evacuated the city.

Premier Stalin's order of the day, as broadcast by Moscow radio, said:

"Troops of the 3rd Ukrainian front, as a result of their offensive Feb. 22, captured by storm the town of Krivoi Rog and the area of Krivoi Rog mines, large industrial centres of the Ukraine, and an important stronghold in German defences."

Previously a German communiqué had announced heavy house-to-house fighting was going on in Krivoi Rog.

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MORE IMPERILED

This Russian drive into Krivoi Rog imperils all German positions in the Ukraine east of the Bug River defence line.

Another Russian offensive far to the north on the 2,000-mile front sent the Germans retreating toward Latvia on a curving 150-mile front.

The northern reverse for the Germans came when Soviet forces struck suddenly across the Lovat River and took the big German base of Kholm, 60 miles south of Lake Ilmen.

An earlier Soviet communiqué had said Russian troops Monday drove into the outskirts of Krivoi Rog, through which one of two German-held railways runs west from the Dnieper bend. The other line runs parallel, about 20 miles to the southeast.

A drive across these lines by the Red Army would trap a German force probably larger than the 10 divisions previously encircled and crushed in the Cherkassy pocket 140 miles to the northwest, field dispatches indicated.

West of Lake Ilmen other Red Army forces were driving on Pskov, German communications base, from three directions.

Flood Death In Los Angeles

LOS ANGELES (AP) — A lashing wind felled trees and power lines here today as the continuing rain reached a two-day total of 5.67 inches. One death was attributed to the storm, and sheriff's deputies reported a foothill bridge and two houses washed out.

In Ventura County, the body of Donald Irwin, 39, was found in a water-filled ditch, and coroner's officers said he evidently had stumbled and fallen in.

Water was reported from 1 1/2 to 3 feet deep at various places on at least two busy industrial thoroughfares in Los Angeles.



NEW N.O.L.E. AT ESQUIMAIT INSPECTS SHIP—Capt. P. E. German, R.C.N., who has succeeded Capt. Massey Gooldeen, D.S.O., R.C.N., as naval officer in charge at Esquimaux, is shown, centre above, returning the salute of Lieut. D. G. Fladgate, Vancouver, during inspection of a new ship at the dockyard. Accompanying Capt. German are: Lt.-Cmdr. E. R. Shaw, R.C.N.R., Vancouver, the ship's commanding officer, and Lieut. J. Taylor, R.C.N.V.R., Ottawa, right.

Lull in Fighting On Beachheads Seen As Nazi Failure

By RICHARD G. MASSOCK

NAPLES (AP) — Heavy artillery barrages and small but fierce infantry clashes marked the fighting Monday in the Allied beachhead south of Rome, where, 5th Army officers said today, stonewall British and United States resistance and their counterattacks have definitely beaten the Nazi all-out drive to push the Allies into the sea.

Allied front-line troops and the Germans fired everything they had at one another at several points Monday, but neither side gained any ground and positions all along the beachhead remained as they were.

Allied artillery, in a fierce exchange of fire, shelled German infantry and tanks forming up around the Aprilia "factory," east of Carroceto, and apparently broke up preparations for a renewed enemy attack. None developed.

100 Square Miles Held By Allies

The lull in fighting left approximately 100 square miles of the beachhead in Allied hands, with the front's boundaries running roughly from the coast west of Carroceto more or less in a straight eastward line about 1 1/2 miles south of Carroceto to a point about two miles southwest of Cisterna, then due south to the beach again.

At the coast, end of the main southern front in the lower Garigliano region British troops engaged in several small clashes with the Germans, but around the vital highway town of Cassino and the equally bomb-battered abbey hill overlooking it, only patrols were active. Guns exchanged shells.

On the 8th Army front across the peninsula, Allied artillery fire scattered two small German attacks toward Italian-held positions in the Orsogna area Monday.

French-Canadian troops beat off a German patrol of 30 men which attacked a battalion outpost Sunday night. Maritime province troops captured two German infantrymen found in a salt trench. The Canadian front was quiet except for these minor encounters. War Correspondent Douglas A. Macdonald of the Canadian during the week-end.

Dressed Germans have replaced German paratroops opposing the Canadians.

Chaplain Transferred

VANCOUVER (CP) — Lt. Col. George O. Fallis, senior Protestant chaplain for the Pacific Command since Nov. 1942, has been transferred to No. 3 Military District, Kingston, Ont., it was announced today.

Gas Ration Unchanged, Says Howe But Conservation Essential Yet

OTTAWA (CP) — Munitions Minister Howe announced this afternoon the gasoline ration will be on the same basis in 1944-45 as in the present year—40 three-gallon coupon units for an "AA" ration holder.

Special categories will remain basically the same as in the present year.

"I cannot stress too strongly the need for conserving gasoline," Mr. Howe added. "Gasoline is an essential munition of war. It has been said: To that country which has the last barrel of petroleum will go the victory."

The minister, speaking in the Commons, said use of heavier crudes permits relaxation in the use of heavy or bunker fuel oils and asphalt.

"Restrictions on the use of asphalt have been removed entirely."

"As regards the use of heavy or bunker fuel oil, in all provinces except British Columbia all users who converted from heavy fuel oils to substitute fuels now may return to using heavy fuel oil, the only restriction being that the consumer must obtain a permit from the office of the oil controller—this for the purpose of record."

NOT FOR B.C.

"British Columbia cannot be permitted relaxation for the reason that demands for heavy fuel oil from the west coast for the fleets of the United Nations require the full production of west coast refineries."

Each motor car registered for use may, upon application, receive a category "AA" gasoline license and ration coupon for 120 gallons of gasoline. The book may be obtained from the issuer of motor licenses at the time a provincial motor license is obtained.

Each individual who by reason of the essentiality of his vocation believes he is entitled to a special gasoline allowance must make a new application, on a form provided for that purpose, to the regional office of the oil controller for his district.

The rationing officials of the oil control office will then determine his special allotment, if any.

"During the past year many of our motorists have looked upon their 'AA' allotment as one for pleasure driving," Mr. Howe said.

"It was not our intention last year, and certainly it is not our intention this year, to provide gasoline for pleasure driving."

"The category 'AA' is an allotment for emergency requirements."

"While we do not intend to define pleasure driving, I wish to make it clear that the man who uses his category 'AA' for week-ends and other nonessential driving, can expect no more, should an emergency arise after his allotment is exhausted."

"By the same token, the motorist who receives a special category in addition to his 'AA' book, must consider the aggregate gasoline provided by the two categories as essential, and all that he can obtain throughout the year."

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Eniwetok Island Captured By U.S.; Kuriles Bombed

PEARL HARBOR (AP) — Capture of Eniwetok Island by U.S. army troops fighting in the Marshall Islands, and bombing of Paramushiro and Shumushu Islands at the northern end of Japan, were announced Monday night.

Admiral Chester W. Nimitz reported Eniwetok Island at the edge of the Marshalls had been taken, and Paramushiro, another segment of Eniwetok atoll, was under heavy attack by U.S. air and surface forces. The Marines already have captured Eniwetok Island in the atoll.

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Churchill Gives No Guarantee Of 1944 Victory

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By JAMES M. LONG

LONDON (AP) — Prime Minister Churchill told the world today that Allied bombing far beyond anything yet "employed or indeed imagined" would strike Germany in every corner in prelude to the final smashing by British, Canadian and U.S. invasion armies of "approximately equal" power.

The three great Allies still stand "absolutely united" and "none of the ground made good at Moscow or Teheran" has been lost despite disquieting articles in the Soviet press, the Prime Minister declared in a confident but cautious war review in the Commons.

The Allies stand united on war plans which make certain a victory that "may not be so far away," he declared.

Mr. Churchill said he could neither guarantee that the war would finish in Europe this year, or extend into 1945, and declared Hitler still is in "full control" in Germany, with 300 divisions in his army.

Half a million Nazis are fighting in Italy, and "Hitler evidently has decided to defend Rome with the same obstinacy as Stalingrad." But Allied leaders are confident of success, and reinforcements are pouring in from Africa.

Other main highlights of Mr. Churchill's first war review since the Teheran and Cairo conferences:

Air offensive: The U.S. bomber force in Britain "now begins to surpass our own and soon will be substantially greater still."

This air campaign against Germany—the foundation for invasion and "our chief offensive effort at present"—will reach a scale "far beyond the dimensions of anything which yet has been employed or indeed imagined," with long-range bombers hitting Germany from Italy as well as Britain.

Retaliation: "The Germans are preparing on the French shore new means of attack on this country, either by pilotless aircraft or, possibly, rockets, or both, on considerable scale," but vigilant Allied air commands are "striking at all evidences of these preparations."

Invasion: While the British and U.S. forces will be relatively equal at the outset, if this battle is prolonged "the continuous flow of Americans would make their force the greater."

Italy: The "forces in the bridgehead are well matched," but "we are definitely stronger in artillery and armor," and air power. The fact there are "something like half a million Germans now in Italy is not unwelcome to the Allies," giving the opportunity to fight the Nazis. "We have sufficient forces at our disposal in Africa to nourish the struggle as fast as they can be transported across the Mediterranean."

Japan: The air power of Japan also is being over-matched and worn down, and Japan's production is "incomparably small, compared with that of the great powers Japan has assailed."

Mr. Churchill said it had been asked whether articles in Soviet newspapers implied a cooling-off in Anglo-Russian or American-Russian friendship and a rebirth of suspicion. The House cheered as he added: "I feel fully entitled to reassure the House on that important point."

Churchill Called Stalin's McCarthy

LONDON (CP) — Prime Minister Churchill's long address to the House of Commons today opened a two-day debate on foreign policy.

Shortly after the Prime Minister had made his statement, which included a reference to the Russian-Polish relations, John McGovern of the Independent Labor Party accused Mr. Churchill "now is acting as Stalin's 'Charlie McCarthy'... the villain stands unmasked today in having proclaimed that the Atlantic Charter was only a sham in order to get sympathy at a dangerous time for this country."



FIRST PICTURE OF BOMBING OF BENEDICTINE MONASTERY — Radiophoto shows bombs (right) from B-25 Marauders of the 12th Air Force falling towards the Abbey Monte Di Cassino in Italy (left) which the Germans used as a fortified defence point to stop the advance of 5th Army forces. (Signal Corps Radiotelephoto).

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VANCOUVER (CP)—Wilfred Cookson, 83, former member of the old Royal North West Mounted Police, who was injured in a fall Jan. 26, died in a hospital here Monday.

War Charity Sweepstakes Put On Spot By Council

War charity raffles, sweepstakes and other money-raising methods at which the law has winked, were put on the spot by the City Council Monday afternoon.

By excluding gambling games from the Crescent Show's carnival, the council left little opportunity for Police Chief J. A. McLehane to ignore other Criminal Code breaches practiced to raise funds for war purposes.

The carnival, the chief said, would be operating no side shows which might create trouble. But if it were prevented from running concessions other than the amusement rides, it would be put out of business.

"If anything is going on there where money is lost fast, it should be stopped," the chief said as he expressed opinion a check-up should be made.

Ald. W. L. Morgan raised question over gambling and asked if any was permitted on city streets.

F. L. Shaw, city solicitor, said gambling could be carried on legally only at provincial exhibitions.

Ald. Morgan inferred the carnival interests were applying for permission to use gambling devices on the streets.

Ald. B. J. Gadsden, a police commissioner, said he did not oppose the rides, but was against gambling on the streets.

Ald. J. A. Worthington would also eliminate gambling.

Ald. Fred A. Willis said it was up to the chief to see the law was maintained. He was prepared to let the chief see it was.

Ald. Margaret Christie, police commissioner, favored the rides

but would have gambling devices deleted.

WAR CHARITIES

Ald. Archie Willis asked the position of war charities operating on the streets.

"That's under the War Charities Act," Ald. Worthington replied.

"I don't think it is," Ald. W. H. Davies said.

Ald. Ed Williams backed Ald. Willis' call for good, clean fun, saying it was up to the chief to see the law was not broken.

Mayor McGavin informed the council it could not interfere with the chief. A commission had been dissolved for alleged interference, he said.

"If you're going to exclude one, you're going to exclude all," he commented on the gambling question.

The mayor noted the generosity of the Crescent Shows manager in providing free rides for the orphans and other less fortunate youngsters.

"There may be a little peanut game going up there and because of it you're going to shut it down—joy-killers," he added.

The Willis motion to let the show operate under the chief's supervision was carried, with the mayor instructing the chief to report "all these street affairs to me."

"We all know this stuff going on under the cloak of war charities is breaking the law," the chief stated. He objected to the position in which he was put.

"If his (Crescent Shows) 5 cent and 10 cent games are to be stopped, he's got a comeback on me about these other things," he said.

Esquimalt Debates Public Work Plans

A special meeting to consider repairs to roads and sidewalks in Esquimalt, as suggested by Councillor G. R. Guillemaud, chairman of the public works committee, will be held prior to the presentation of the municipality's annual estimates, Esquimalt Council decided Monday night.

Oiling of some roads, asphaltting certain sidewalks, surfacing of parts of Cave Street, asphaltting the approach to Gorge Bridge, and filling in of a ditch on old Esquimalt Road, were among Mr. Guillemaud's proposals. He said three more men should be employed to handle the work, and the council agreed.

Before setting the annual estimates, all municipal salaries will be reviewed, the council decided. Councillor J. A. Ellis said they all needed to be revised upwards.

Suggestions of R. W. Mayhew, M.P., for postwar development of Victoria and district, were endorsed. A letter from the former of works on a scheme for providing drugs and medical attention to social welfare cases, old age pensioners and mothers allowances recipients, was laid on the table until further information could be obtained.

The clerk was instructed to write W. C. Mainwaring, civil defence chairman, for information on placing a siren on the school building as a curfew signal for juveniles.

Lack of a signal has prevented passing of the curfew by-law. Amendment to the sewer construction and rental tax by-law received final reading and adoption, as did the keeping of cows and pigs prevention by-law.

Streets and traffic regulation by-law received first and second reading.

Gandhi's Wife Dies In 75th Year

LONDON (AP)—Mrs. Mohandas K. Gandhi, wife of the Indian leader, died today, the New Delhi radio said.

Mrs. Gandhi, 74, had suffered intermittently from heart attacks at Poona, where she was detained with her husband. Last Sunday an official announcement said her condition had taken a grave turn.

The announcement by the Governor of Bombay said: "The government of Bombay regrets to announce that Mrs. Kasturbai Gandhi passed away at 7.35 p.m. (7.15 a.m., P.D.T.) today at the Aga Khan's palace."

Mrs. Gandhi was married to Gandhi when they both were only 13 years old.

A frail little woman, she lived a quiet and retiring life. She was confined with her husband in the Aga Khan's palace at Poona a few hours after Gandhi had been arrested Aug. 9, 1943, when the All-India Congress adopted its resolution advocating civil disobedience and independence for India.

Her illness incited a few sporadic demands that she be released and the government of India in January issued a note to the press saying that to release her would be to separate her from her husband without providing any better medical care than she was getting.

In an extraordinarily revealing autobiography Gandhi referred to his marriage as "the cruel custom of child marriage."

What effect she may have had on his tempestuous career is highly speculative, but the prob-



MRS. GANDHI

ability is it was not very great. She was almost illiterate, a condition not unusual even among high caste women of India.

Gandhi once said of her that "Kasturbai herself does not know perhaps whether she has any ideals independent of mine."

But she did not hesitate to go to jail with him time after time, the first time under miserable conditions in South Africa jails 40 years ago.

During her final illness her solace besides the presence of her husband was visits from her son, Devdas, the only one of their four children who is following his father's Nationalist campaign.

U-Boat Crews Realizing Their Fight In Atlantic Lost

By ROSS MUNRO

A PORT IN NORTHERN IRELAND (CP)—It is a losing battle now for the German submarine packs in the north Atlantic and there are indications that the U-boat crews themselves are beginning to see the writing on the wall.

Survivors from destroyed submarines used to brag a lot to their captors, but now they haven't much to say. My impression is that the Atlantic U-boat assignment was at right back in 1941 and 1942, but for the past year their job has been nothing to envy. Their opponents were getting too strong.

Steadily and methodically the Allies' strength has grown for the Atlantic escort and anti-submarine war and here at this naval base when you talk to crews of Canadian and British fighting ships you find conclusive evidence that they have the upper hand in the marathon battle against the U-boats.

There will be more sinkings, but the heavy losses of a year ago when sometimes many merchant ships in a single convoy would be sent to the bottom aren't likely to be suffered again.

From the top commanders here to the sailors who man the guns and fire the depth charges there is a steady feeling of confidence that the worst is over and that with continued vigilance any major efforts by German submarines can be defeated.

MORE SHIPS, NEW DEVICES
These are the things that have produced this favorable turn in the Atlantic battle:

1. Increase in the number of escort vessels—destroyers, corvettes, sloops, frigates—and improvements and ingenious developments in anti-submarine devices and instruments to locate U-boats under the surface.

2. More extensive air cover from the R.A.F. and the U.S.A.F. and planes of the United States navy. Acquisition of the Azores bases was a vital factor in this consideration and now the convoys have air cover practically all the way across the Atlantic. At night the planes search out the submarines with searchlights and by day they maintain constant patrols around the ships.

3. Employment of offensive groups of destroyers, frigates and corvettes to hunt out the submarines long before they get into position to intercept convoys. These "killer" groups are apart altogether from the escort ships which mother the convoys across the ocean. The killers operate independently of the escorts most of the time and roam up and down the Atlantic on the lookout for every U-boat they can locate.

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The board expressed doubt the new buildings could be completed in time for operation next fall.

Of the \$80,000 asked for the special appropriation, it was

district with its noise and dirt, on quiet beautifully boulevard streets, and in the vicinity of the New Cathedral which will always assure the atmosphere of dignity.

Wharf Street from the Black Ball Ferry slip to Johnson Street should be cleaned up, and private enterprise with city assistance should be induced to open attractive places of entertainment such as ballrooms, English tea rooms, aquariums, illuminated docks for pleasure yachts and tour launches for the once-enjoyed and now defunct Gorge and Portage Inlet boat tours.

A fine picture theatre with store frontages on Government Street could be built on the block from the post office to Broughton to Langley Streets. These together with our fishing, golf, tours, and country drives would greatly add to the pleasure of a stay in our city.

Hold what we have, and have all we can hold.
OLIVER A. TRICKETT,
1458 Ryan Street, City.

Leave of Absence Should Be Sought On Joining Service

Men joining the armed forces as volunteers or draftees are warned that by terminating present employment on deciding to enlist or when called up, they may sacrifice the right to demand their jobs back after the war.

The warning came from the office of Selective Service.

Workers need not terminate their employment to join the armed forces. All that is required is a "leave of absence," an official explained.

He expressed concern over the numbers of such terminations occurring due to misunderstanding by management and labor of wartime regulations.

On the leave of absence basis, men can reclaim their jobs if turned down as medically unfit, or when they return home after service in Canada or overseas.

Selective Service officers are now carefully checking each termination notice received.

When a notice remarks that the man has left his job to join the services, it is returned to the employer and a leave of absence notice is substituted.

Many cases on file are being checked and corrected.

All men joining the armed forces may reclaim their jobs on their return, providing they were in that employment more than three months, and providing that on taking that employment they did not replace another man joining the armed forces.

Letters to the Editor

JUVENILE DELINQUENCY

In her report to the annual meeting of the Children's Aid Society, Miss Rae Kirkendale blames parents, as usual, for ever-increasing juvenile delinquency, which is reaching terrible proportions.

Well, parents, this letter is addressed to you.

To combat this delinquency, analysis must be made of the types of thoughts forever being pumped into juvenile heads.

Collect a few back numbers, or a million or a billion back numbers of the "comics" depicting parents and parental authority, and see how parents and parental authority are sneered at and debunked by every means of picture and story conceivable to psychology, in the eyes of juveniles who constantly read them, and remember this is how father's and mother's authority is forever presented to the children.

Another very fruitful source of delinquency lives in current child literature as promulgated by so called educationalists.

Public announcement was made 20 years ago, over and over again, that the old-fashioned type of "moral" child literature was to be done away with. It was.

Dr. Katherine Taylor, consultant in family life education for Seattle public schools, tells this same Children's Aid Society meeting that children must have assurance they are loved, no matter how they misbehave.

This, of course, deprives juvenile delinquents of a sense of wrong-doing, so necessary to infantile reform. It is also practical application of the now-hidden activities of the "Oxford Group," with its all-embracing love of sinners no matter how glibly they publicly confessed their sins.

Remember how the Oxford Group leader publicly announced his admiration of Hitler? Juvenile delinquency is politically useful in demonstrating the inability of "democracy" to cope with it. It has many other political uses.

GLADYS SHRAPNEL,
1578 Clive Drive, Feb. 20.

VICTORIA—BEAUTIFUL AND PROSPEROUS

Many excellent suggestions for the beautification of Victoria have been submitted, showing a public spirit to be commended.

As one in constant touch with the travelling American public (the most prolific source of income for Victoria. One hundred and forty million free-spending prospective customers) whose comments and impressions should be seriously taken into consideration on this question. I would like to offer my suggestions.

For 50 years they have tried to make Victoria an industrial city and failed. Derelicts of failure are scattered all over the city.

In that time Vancouver was born and developed as such. It is time those people realized what we have to offer and capitalized on it. We have the only city in the whole of Canada that a person can live in comfort the year round, scenery unsurpassed, natural pastimes at our doors. All we need do is make the visitor contented while here. The gay noise, bustle and worry, they have in abundance. Give them a place to forget all that, and they will come in thousands.

The old Cathedral and vicinity would be a delightful setting for a new City Hall and Administration Buildings. Sitting on high ground to be viewed by the passengers on incoming steamers; out of the immediate downtown



Recipes

POTATO SOUP

(SERVES 4)

2 cups milk

2 cups potato water (or plain)

2 OXO Cubes or 2 tps. Fluid OXO

3 slices onion

2 cups mashed potatoes

2 tablespoons butter

1 teaspoon salt—pepper to taste

Scald milk and onion, add water. Add OXO. If Cubes, let dissolve. Then add potatoes. Melt butter, add flour, seasoning, and cook until smooth. Add soup mixture. Cook 3 minutes. Serve and sprinkle with parsley or paprika.

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The city parks committee Wednesday approved planting of 488 trees, including flowering cherry, plum, dogwood, red oak, red maple, laburnum and cascara, on city boulevards. The board referred to the council a request from the Corps of Commissioners for a contract to police city parks, decided to ask the council to rescind a resolution calling for cutting of acacia trees on Gladstone Avenue, and declined W. D. Martin's offer for a piece of city-owned park property at the Gorge.



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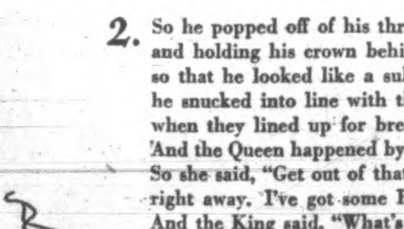
PLAY SAFE... SOAK IN **POLIDENT**

IT'S FIT FOR A KING, SAID KING RAINBOLT



1. Old King Rainbolt was fairly morose. He called for his men and he said, "Stop your fiddling... where's my bowl of coffee?"

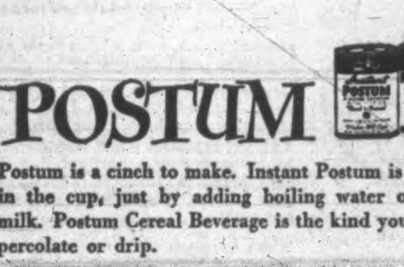
And the men said, "The Crown Prince has lured Cook away. Her Majesty is doing the marketing herself. Sorry, Sire—no Cook, no Queen, no coffee."



2. So he popped off of his throne and holding his crown behind him so that he looked like a subject, he snuck into line with the King's Guard when they lined up for breakfast. And the Queen happened by with her market basket. So she said, "Get out of that line right away. I've got some Postum." And the King said, "What's Postum?"



3. So the Queen smiled and said, "It isn't like coffee and it isn't like tea. It's a grand mealtime drink. And it can't hurt anybody because it doesn't contain any caffeine." So they went into the kitchen and the Queen made him a cup of Postum. He smacked his lips over its rich flavor. "It's fit for a King," said he.



4. And the Queen, seeing that he was in rare good humor, brought out a silly and somewhat expensive hat she had bought. And the king said, "You look cute as a button in that new hat." And he never asked her what she paid for it. But he did ask for another cup of Postum.

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Talk of Early Election Crops Up In Ottawa; Premier Warns House

By JAMES MCCOOK

OTTAWA (CP)—Parliament Hill today buzzed with speculation whether fiery debates in the House of Commons would lead to an early general election.

Prime Minister King in a Commons speech Monday warned the Opposition that if the government cannot obtain co-operation in dealing with parliamentary business "then we shall have to consider what our responsibility is."

This remark immediately was associated in political circles with a declaration by the Prime Minister Jan. 31, in his first major address after opening of the 1944 session. At that time Mr. King said the government did not propose a general election until the war was done, unless prevented from following this plan in some way impossible to control.

It was, he said, the intention of the administration—"with the co-operation of Members of Parliament generally"—to carry on with the prosecution of the war to the limit of its power.

Parliament Not Giving Co-operation

Monday, the Prime Minister indicated he did not think the co-operation the government had the right to expect was being given.

He gave his viewpoint after the House had discussed for almost two hours a motion that Wednesday be set aside for committee meetings, with no general sitting of the House. The motion, moved by the Prime Minister himself, ran into opposition from the Progressive Conservatives and some C.C.F. members. Finally it was approved by a record vote of 113 to 34.

Gordon Graydon, as the chief Progressive Conservative spokesman, said he believed the setting-

aside of Wednesday for committee work would retard rather than speed the session.

M. J. Coldwell, C.C.F. leader whose charges against aluminum interests during the last session brought an inquiry by a war expenditures subcommittee, said the report approved by that committee was an attempt to "white-wash the deal." Instead of the report making clear his charges were unfounded, as it claimed, it had in fact supported most of them, Mr. Coldwell said.

Munitions Minister Howe said the committee, in investigating all aspects of the aluminum situation, had gone beyond its terms of reference. The House would be safe in adopting the report without going back into the evidence which was known to only a few members of the House, he said.

Lionel Chevrier, parliamentary assistant to Mr. Howe, reviewed contracts given to the Aluminum Company by the United Kingdom and United States and said the granting of special taxation concessions had been provided for Canada.

During the sitting two veteran parliamentarians—Prime Minister King and Hon. R. B. Hanson (Progressive Conservative, York-Sunbury) exchanged sharp remarks.

Speaking in support of a motion to have Wednesday confined entirely to committee sittings, Mr. King said that when he declared the government needed more time to consider vital matters before it his word should be accepted.

Mr. Hanson: "Why not dispense with Parliament altogether? You have pretty nearly done it."

Mr. King: "Well, I think Par-

liament could very well dispense with my honorable friend."

Mr. Hanson: "I venture to suggest to my right honorable friend that this country would not agree with him."

Mr. King: "My honorable friend is fond of talking about dispensing with things, but I want to tell him that when he makes remarks of that kind he can expect to get back what is coming to him."

Mr. Hanson: "I am not worrying about anything. The Prime Minister may say, 'I leave it to the people of this country.'"

Later Mr. King said that Gordon Graydon, Progressive Conservative House Leader, should address the chair when he was speaking.

Mr. Hanson: "You did not address the chair when you put the question—when you insulted me."

Tory M.P. Breaks Silence of Years

OTTAWA (CP)—Robert H. McGregor, Prog. Con., East York, Ont., made his first speech of years in the Commons Monday night, and told why he had been silent.

He said: "It is not very often I take up the time of the House for the simple reason that I feel this is the greatest hot-air joint I have seen for many years."

His speech was short. He was soon called to order by the Speaker for speaking to a main motion when an amendment was before the chair.

AIR CADETS OF CANADA Weekly Routine Orders

Parade for basic training at Victoria High School, 19.15 hours Feb. 23. Dress: Uniform with greatcoats.

Orderly officer, FO. R. Heywood, 89th Sqdn.; orderly sergeant, AC. Sgt. A. Cox, 89th Sqdn.; orderly corporal, AC. Cpl. (Prob.) S. Kent, 89th Sqdn.

Today's WAR NEWS Analysis

By DE WITT MACKENZIE
Associated Press War Analyst

The mystery of the whereabouts of the Japanese fleet, which from time to time had anchored within the "invulnerable" shelter of Truk, is bringing this column many inquiries from readers. Honestly compels me to admit I don't know. Still there are some relative facts which are illuminating.

There have been numerous occasions during the war when a large Japanese fleet was reported at Truk. This base, one of the strongest ever developed, could shelter the Mikado's entire navy. However, the exigencies of global conflict have compelled the Japanese to keep their main strength in home waters, to protect the motherland, while Truk has been used as the chief station for the central and south Pacific operations.

The U.S. force which carried out the devastating raid on Truk last week undoubtedly was much disappointed it didn't find more warships at the anchorage, though unhappy Tokyo thinks they did well enough as it was.

The answer may be that the Japanese saw Allied reconnaissance planes at work and took the appearance of photographers as presaging a major attack and moved the greater portion of the Truk fleet to safe waters.

This would tend to substantiate the idea—widely held among naval men—that the Japanese will try to avoid a big naval battle until the day when they will have to defend themselves in home waters. It probably means basing a large fleet on Truk, since the recent Allied advance into the Marshall Islands will enable them to raid the base by sea or air more or less at will.

Canada's Honor Roll

OVERSEAS
OFFICERS, KILLED IN ACTION
Nava Scotia and P.E.I. Regiment
BLANCHARD, Joseph Alfred, Lieut., Charlottetown, P.E.I.
BIRD, OF WOMING
Eastern Ontario Regiment
DENNIS, Grover Wesley, A-Capt., Toronto, Ont.
SERIOUSLY WOUNDED
Canadian Armored Corps
LINDORAY, Harold, Lieut., Vancouver, B.C.
WOUNDED
Royal Canadian Artillery
MADDEN, George Ernest, Capt., Toronto, Ont.
MITCHELL, John Harley, Capt., Toronto, Ont.
STEER, George Alexander, Capt., Toronto, Ont.
Royal Canadian Corps of Signals
ROLAND, David Vaughan, Lieut., Toronto, Ont.
Central Ontario Regiment
NORTWELL-KUMPHREY, John, A-Maj., Toronto, Ont.
Quebec Regiment
OGILVIE, William Watson, Major, Montreal, Que.
Nava Scotia and P.E.I. Regiment
JOHNSON, Douglas Carl, Lieut., Saskatchewan, Sask.
KARN, Horace Walter, Lieut., Parry Sound, Ont.
Reconnaissance Units
STROUD, Maxwell Albert, Gaid, Major, Ontario, Ont.
WOUNDED, REMAINING ON DUTY
Canadian Armored Corps
LINDORAY, Harold, Lieut., A-Capt., Windsor, Ont.
WARRANT OFFICERS, N.C.O.'s AND MEN
Canadian Armored Corps
WELLS, Ernest James, Cpl., Udon, Ont.
Nava Scotia and P.E.I. Regiment
GRAVES, Sydney William, Gnr., Liverpool, N.S.
HUGGILL, Ernest Lester, Gnr., Durham, Man.
MCDERMOTT, James Lloyd, Gnr., Coalbrookdale, Ont.
REAR, Fred Ernest, Gnr., Amherst, N.S.
Western Ontario Regiment
MARTIN, Robert, Lieut., Forest, Ont.
Central Ontario Regiment
CUTLER, John, Gnr., Toronto, Ont.
PALMER, Arthur George, A-Sgt., Toronto, Ont.
TRENDA, Warren Henry, Lieut., Hamilton, Ont.
Eastern Ontario Regiment
BELL, Arthur George, Pte., Newboro, Ont.
CLIPPER, Harold Malcolm, A-Cpl., Appleton, Ont.
Quebec Regiment
MAYDEN, Thomas Charles, Pte., Montreal, Que.
Nava Scotia and P.E.I. Regiment
MCDONALD, Gordon Hammond, A-L, Manitoba, Man.
LAUGHREN, James Herman, A-Sgt., Nava Scotia and P.E.I. Regiment
NELSON, Leslie William, Pte., Winnipeg, Man.
TROTTER, George, Pte., Transcona, Man.
British Columbia Regiment
CHANDLER, Edward Leslie, Pte., Vancouver, B.C.
Nava Scotia and P.E.I. Regiment
FROCK, Edward, A-Sgt., Tisdale, Sask.
DIED OF WOUNDS
Royal Canadian Engineers
HARRISON, Melvin Walter, Spr., Bedford, N.S.
Western Ontario Regiment
LAKE, Leslie Gerald, Pte., London, Ont.
Central Ontario Regiment
ELLIOTT, John Dixon, Sgt., Dutton, Ont.
MCKENZIE, Thomas Anderson, Pte., A-L, Cpl., Blackwater, Ont.
Nava Scotia and P.E.I. Regiment
BAIGENT, Gilbert Arthur, Pte., New Brunswick, N.B.
RECONNAISSANCE UNITS
GANDLER, Joseph Garbutt, A-L Cpl., Port Williams, Ont.
DIED
Royal Canadian Artillery
SULLIVAN, William Harold, Gnr., Hamilton, Ont.
DANGEROUSLY WOUNDED
HOCKHAM, Earle Street, Pte., Toronto, Ont.
Nava Scotia and P.E.I. Regiment
SHEPHERD, Francis Bertram, Sgt., Carleton Place, Ont.
Quebec Regiment
COMEAU, Omer Joseph, Pte., Grand Falls, N.B.
SERIOUSLY WOUNDED
Central Ontario Regiment
MORTON, George Leslie, Pte., Burford, Ont.
Manitoba Regiment
LIDSTONE, Richard Sullivan, Pte., Edmonton, Alta.
Canadian Armored Corps
HARRISON, Percy Leroy, Tpr., Carrville, Ont.
HILL, Roy Allan, Tpr., Drumheller, Alta.
MATHIAS, George, Cpl., Montreal, Que.
MUNSON, Robert Cecil, Tpr., Onda, Alta.
REYNOLDS, Alexander Kinkaid, Tpr., Toronto, Ont.
SIMPSON, Elgin Douglas, Tpr., Carrville, Ont.
SKJONBERG, Percy Leroy, Tpr., Carrville, Ont.
SULLIVAN, James Daniel, Tpr., Alderbrook, Ont.
TITTON, Jack, Tpr., Beamsville, Ont.
Royal Canadian Artillery
FORTH, Cecil Graham, Gnr., Bracebridge, Ont.
HAYES, Thomas, Gnr., Trail, B.C.
HORMAN, Richard, E-4, Indian Head, Sask.
MILLARD, Herbert Charles, Sdr., Gloucester, England.
MORTON, George Leslie, Gnr., Balaclava, Sask.
Royal Canadian Engineers
CADDWELL, Lionel Clifford, Spr., Master, Ont.
EATON, Frank James, Cpl., Prairie Echo, Alta.
LEVY, Samuel, Spr., Malor, Alta.
MCRAE, John Thomas, Spr., Glace Bay, N.S.
McLAUGHLIN, Dennis Gerard, Edmonton, Alta.
REID, David John, L. Cpl., Mount Julian, Ontario.
YAWORSKI, Carl, L. Cpl., Barrieffield Camp, Ont.
Infantry
JANTZEN, Leo Wilson, A-Cpl., Herbert, Sask.
JUD, James Lloyd, Cpl., St. Eustache, Que.
Western Ontario Regiment
DOWDY, Ernest, Cpl., Halifax, N.S.
HOWARD, William Albert, Pte., Norwich, Ontario.
LATTESCHLAGER, Harold George, Pte., New Hamburg, Ont.
LAWLOR, Wilbert Nelson, Pte., Innes, Ont.
SCHAEFER, George Alfred, Pte., Innes, Ont.
WATSON, James, Pte., Belfast, Ireland.
Central Ontario Regiment
BAILLY, Walter Jack, Pte., Orangeville, Ontario.
CAMPELL, Lloyd, Pte., Whitefish Falls, Ontario.

R.C.N. to Supervise U.S. Chart Sales

Distribution and sale of United States charts and hydrographic publications on the Pacific coast of Canada has been placed under the supervision of the Royal Canadian Navy with the chart depot, H.M.C. Dockyard, Esquimalt, acting as central distributing authority. This is in accordance with restrictions imposed by U.S. authorities, according to an announcement today from C. F. Edwards, deputy minister, Department of Transport, from Ottawa.

Mr. Edwards explained that charts and hydrographic publications may be bought by masters of merchant vessels of United Nations registry, fishing concerns, fishermen and yachtsmen, when it has been established that they will be used for bonafide purposes. Commercial agents will not be supplied with them for resale.

Boy's Body Recovered

The body of eight-year-old Marshall Nell Taylor, who had been missing since Jan. 17 after

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he fell into the Courtenay River at Courtenay from a scow, was recovered Saturday in 12 feet of water a mile from the scene of the accident. Coroner pronounced "death by drowning," B.C. Police headquarters here were advised.

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Gyro Club Learns About Electronics

Application of electronics in peace and war was outlined by Walter Walsh and described in a talking motion picture at the Gyro Club luncheon Monday noon.

"Much of the miracle of war production is due to this science," said Mr. Walsh, adding the use of electronic devices on war fronts may shorten the world conflict by several years.

Electronic tubes, he said, permitted tank commanders to receive messages during battle; ships to locate their adversaries, and ground crews to spot enemy aircraft at night, or through fog and clouds.

Mr. Walsh said electronics may well have saved England during the blitz of 1940.

Because of war 25 years' development of electronics has been telescoped into four years' time, he said, noting that in the post-war era electronic tubes would permit a speeding up of nature's healing process in wounds, and would permit schools, factories and offices to have germ-free air. Frequency modulation radio communication and television were possible through electronics, said Mr. Walsh.

The film, issued by the Canadian Westinghouse Electric Co., showed the principles of the electronic tube, and described some uses of electronics in industry and on the war front and some of the applications which would be made after the war.

The club approved a donation of \$50 to the Canadian Red Cross.

A court whist card party held in the Women's Institute Hall aided the quilting bee expenses. The affair was convened by Mesdames J. D. Pearson, George Thompson and Roy Crocker.

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MR. HART'S 18TH BUDGET

WHEN THE MANAGING-DIRECTOR OF a business presents his statutory report to the shareholders and advises them that the excess of their assets over liabilities had increased since he last spoke to them, that revenues had exceeded all expectations, and that the net surplus on hand after the year's operations had established an all-time record, he is entitled to congratulations. This, in brief, summarizes the financial position of the province of British Columbia which Premier Hart in his role as Minister of Finance revealed to the Legislature yesterday afternoon on the presentation of his 18th budget.

In these days when people talk glibly of billions provincial statistics may seem somewhat insignificant; but Mr. Hart quoted some figures which should be noted if only to emphasize the importance of the record. For example, he informed the House that even after providing a substantial sum for debt repayment the net-revenue-surplus—the record mentioned above—amounted to \$8,140,000, while as at the beginning of last December the gross debt of the province had been reduced in the preceding 12 months by \$6,362,000 and the net debt by \$7,198,000—a striking achievement in these trying times which would seem to furnish its own commentary. More to the point still, perhaps, was the Premier's announcement that by the time the province's books are closed for the current fiscal year, the taxpayers of British Columbia will discover another revenue surplus of considerable proportions—even after due allowance has been made for the numerous expenditures contemplated by the government to implement its immediate policies and in preparation for the reconstruction period now beginning to impose its demands.

It will be noted in the details of the Premier's pronouncement that much is to be done for the aged, the infirm and the needy; to supply farmers with adequate labor; to increase reforestation and expand forest nurseries; to survey lands throughout the province for postwar utilization; to grub-stake prospectors so that our natural resources may be developed speedily; more will be spent on the maintenance of highways and bridges; a bureau of postwar rehabilitation and reconstruction co-ordination will function to integrate and correlate departmental efforts, as well as Dominion-Provincial work. Noteworthy also is Mr. Hart's reaffirmation that increased provisions have been made for old age pensioners' institutional and hospital care, and for industrial and scientific research—with particular regard for the establishment of a forest research institute, which connotes a more practical approach to the future of a great basic industry. Substantial sums also are to be set aside to meet the cost of educational training of men and women for peace-time occupations; to defray the expense entailed in the increase of teachers' salary grants, not forgetting the donation of free text books to certain school grades.

Notwithstanding the added cost of government under the foregoing heads—and others which space forbids mention here—amounting to some \$3,200,000, Mr. Hart still expects another surplus for the coming year. Well may the taxpayers ask how the guardian of the treasury proposes to allocate the disposal of these accumulated surpluses. Here is part of the answer: Four million dollars will be spent on projects which will be generally commended. These are: \$1,500,000 for repairs of roads and bridges throughout the province; \$500,000 for immediate surveys and preliminary construction of the road connecting the Peace River area with the main highway system; and \$2,000,000 for the provision of institutional buildings and modern equipment. Needless to add, there are the unpredictable exigencies, the imponderables in war and postwar financing, which will easily absorb the unmarked balance of the surpluses. Nor does this accounting include anything that will be done under the provisions of the \$15,000,000 Loan Bill authorized at the 1943 session of the Legislature.

As an appropriate footnote to the forward-looking and businesslike budget, with which Mr. Hart has every reason to be satisfied, it may be said without fear of contradiction that the credit of the province—now reaping the benefits of the sound financial policy laid down in 1933 when the present Premier resumed the guardianship of the public till—never stood higher than it does today. The buoyant optimism which yesterday's speech reflected, therefore, should be followed by that quality of administrative foresight which the challenge of the time demands.

TURKEY TO MARK TIME

TWO WEEKS AGO SECRET TALKS between the British military mission and the Turkish General Staff in Ankara came to a sudden halt. It was given out at the time that the conferences had bogged down because Turkey did not appear to be satisfied with the amount of equipment Britain and the United States could supply—that is, to put her in a position to enter the conflict as a full-fledged ally, and able to protect herself against a swift thrust from neighboring Bulgaria.

Turkish statements nevertheless have

asserted more than once recently that their country's alliance with Great Britain remains the main plank of Turkish foreign policy; the Turks feel, too, that the spirit and intent of this pact will continue to be important to them after the war. And it is paralleled by a policy of developing greater friendship with the United States and the Soviet Union. For the time being, however, Turkey probably regards a request to enter the war as too much like an invitation to jump into a river without knowing its depth. On the other hand, when the western invasion begins, Ankara may change its ideas on the value of taking an active part in the elimination of the Axis partner for whom the late Kemal Ataturk always held the strongest dislike; conditions then may suggest that the helping hand when it can do most good may receive dividends at the final settlement.

It is no secret in London, of course, that Marshal Stalin dropped more than a hint at Tehran that Britain remind Turkey of her mutual-assistance pact and try to obtain prompt implementation with deeds. President Ismet Inonu and Premier Sukru Saracoglu met Mr. Churchill and Mr. Eden in Cairo and, presumably, the Turkish leaders were sounded out—with the visit of the British military mission to Ankara as the sequel. A reliable Washington authority, however, hears that London is far from disturbed over the breaking off of the deliberations in the Turkish capital.

In other words, with Turkey not in possession of the Allied time-table, only Britain and the United States can consider themselves competent to judge what additional equipment could be safely diverted to the Levantine republic in view of the existing military situation as visualized from the British Isles. Turkey obviously differs from the Allied view. But basic goodwill must prevail—because it is in the interests of Ankara as well as London and Washington.

'BEYOND ANYTHING IMAGINED'

REGARDLESS OF GERMANY'S PREPARATIONS for the use of pilotless planes or "possibly rockets, or both, on a considerable scale," the warning which Mr. Churchill issued to the Fuehrer today will be cold comfort to the people of the Reich, especially after the experiences through which many of their cities have gone since last Saturday night. In unmistakable language the Prime Minister announced that Allied bombing far beyond anything yet "employed or indeed imagined" would strike Germany in every corner in prelude to the final smashing by British and American invasion armies of "approximately equal" power. This air campaign against "Festung Europa"—the foundation for invasion and "our chief offensive effort at present"—he further emphasized, will hit Germany from Italy as well as Britain with long-range bombers.

Recent concentrated attacks on the European coastline by both British and American aerial monsters bear out Mr. Churchill's assurance that "we long have been watching" the enemy's preparations for the use of his "secret weapon" and "are striking at all evidences" of this paraphernalia. But what will be especially heartening to the peoples of the United Nations, and commensurately discouraging to Hitler's regimented dupes, was the Prime Minister's precise statement that "our production of aircraft, fighters and bombers, judged by every possible test, already far exceeds Germany's." And by way of good measure, he indicated that Russian production now is about equal to Britain's, while "American production alone is double or treble" the output of the Reich. Mr. Churchill dismissed Nippon's airplane manufacturing as small compared with that of the great powers which Hirohito's men have assailed.

All the more conservative experts agree that the enemy cannot be defeated by air-power alone; but the enormous weight of bombs dropped on the heart of the German war machine in the last few months has provided an impressive and convincing argument in favor of the accelerated treatment of which Mr. Churchill drew a verbal picture in the House of Commons today. And the fact that the Prime Minister went so far as to say that the initial invading forces would be fairly evenly balanced between British—including, of course, Canadians—and American may be taken as new confirmation that the plans long ago laid have undergone no basic change. Some suggestions recently made, that the invasion "may never take place," evidently need not be taken seriously. Airpower is paving the way for the great and final adventure against the European tyrant.

Mr. Churchill did not allow his enthusiasm over the way matters seem to be going to run away with his traditional caution. He would neither guarantee that the war would finish in Europe this year, nor extend into 1945; in the back of his mind while he was speaking, of course, was his knowledge that Hitler still is in full control of the Reich—and backed by 300 divisions. But his categorical promise of a constant application of the great Allied aerial battering ram naturally was based on a prevailing condition which enabled him to give the House much cheer.

NOTES

From the atrocities reports, it appears the Japs think the way to prove they are men is to act like nasty little beasts.

And it was just a year ago this week the German broadcast to France said: "The very violence of the Soviet assaults is obvious proof that the Russians are playing their last cards with the energy of despair."

Due to the risk of assassination, the Nazis are said to be having trouble finding puppet rulers for various sanjaks or districts of the Balkans. So deadly are these positions that the man who takes such a job may well be called a sanjakass.

Bruce Hutchison

WINNIPEG.

NOT A THOUGHT

IT IS PERFECTLY true, as it must be plain from this column, that your reporter hasn't had a single idea since he hit Winnipeg. Only the native can think in a climate like this. The tender coastal brain seizes up like a frozen car cylinder. All a visitor can do here is to record the experiences which move numbly and dully through the brain.

I have to record today, for example, the latest tragedy of this weather. A fellow had his car washed in a garage downtown and drove it home before it was quite dry. When he tried to get out at his door he found that the doors wouldn't open—he was frozen in as tightly as an ice cube in a refrigerator. He had to drive back to the garage and wait until he thawed out before he could be released. Think that over, with a sigh of sympathy, when you pick your daffodils.

DROPPING

THE TEMPERATURE on the prairies likewise was dropping for the C.C.F. Every politician I have seen confirms the finding of the Gallup Poll—that the C.C.F. reached a peak last autumn and has been going downhill ever since, twice as rapidly in the West as in the East. However, the drop is small yet, and significant only as it shows that the old trend has been reversed. And anything can happen to change the trend before an election.

At the moment the decline is attributed to several factors—better times among the farmers, with prices guaranteed by the government; Mr. Coldwell's railway policy which railway workers are intelligent enough to understand as ultimate amalgamation of the railways; the government's new program of social security; and Mr. Harold Winch's revolution speech, which is one of the most important factors of all.

DISCOVERY

YESTERDAY ON Portage Avenue I saw a man with a beautiful neck-shave; and, on pointing it out to a young colleague, found that he had never seen one before. The neck-shave, which used to be the universal mark of the sporty fellow 25 years ago, has almost disappeared. The lone survivor of that great age apparently lives in Winnipeg and is maintaining the tradition even in the teeth of a north wind.

Why, I can remember when every dashing young blade in Victoria had his neck carefully shaved, and the artistry of the barbers down at the Driad was judged entirely by their skill in creating a symmetrical line across the back of the scalp. It made a beautiful spectacle, rather like a Greek bust, in marble. Clergymen, I recall, were specially fond of them. And now they have all disappeared. Is it too much to hope that the exhibit discovered in Winnipeg is the beginning of a great movement back to the fine old fashion, and to the return of the barber as an artist?

THE COW

THE OTTAWA JOURNAL, the New York Times, the London Free Press and the Cornwall Standard-Freeholder, which come to my desk daily, all contained articles about the beauties of the cow. Apparently editors all over America are feeling the same nostalgic yearning for 10 acres of ground and a cow. They write about the beauties of the cow with a fine poetry. The New York Times takes time off from the war in its editorial columns to explain in mouth-watering detail the ancient homocraft of making butter, and you can almost hear the slosh, slosh, slosh of the churn, and see the globes of golden butter emerging from the cream, and taste the buttermilk cooled in the springhouse.

Everybody seems to be interested in cows and I take it as a sign of rebellion against a mechanical civilization, in which you can order milk in bottles by telephone from the dairy on the corner. Mr. Bracken evidently knew how to lead a popular movement of protest against our society when he went out on his round of milking competitions and showed the public that he is a member of the ancient craft, a master of the old mystery. Mr. King, on the other hand, probably never milked a cow and I am not even sure about Mr. Coldwell. I am sorry for them. A milker, waiting quietly for the cow to give her treasure, is always a patient, thoughtful man and milking is the best possible training for a Prime Minister.

DECORUM

AN INTERESTING question of decorum has arisen in Winnipeg. The Winnipeg Free Press suddenly emerged with a slashing attack on the Appeal Court of Manitoba, in a fashion never witnessed in Canadian journalism before; called the court incompetent, showed that it was nearly always reversed by the Supreme Court of Canada and demanded that it be reorganized.

A legislator tried to raise the question in the local Legislature and was told he couldn't discuss it. Why not in the name of common sense? And why shouldn't the public discuss the fact that court appointments in Canada are usually made as political rewards, and the further stranger fact that politicians turned judges usually are competent nonpartisan and intelligent?

A ghost story to end all ghost stories is being circulated by the Japanese to bolster home morale. It insists that after all Japanese troops had been evacuated from Attu spirits of dead soldiers engaged American troops for three weeks, even staging counterattacks. It adds that in the South Pacific, too, the spirits are putting up a good fight, bringing mental derangement to the enemy, causing them "to kill themselves as a result of nervous breakdown and morbid fear."

When professional crooks flock to a pleasure resort, do they live on their savings or keep on working?

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LEGEND

The Legislature on Monday listened to the 18th budget address of Hon. John Hart, who, although very much alive, has become almost a legend in British Columbia and in financial circles in eastern Canada and the United States. Whatever John Hart does, say these circles, is the very best that can be done in orthodox finance. The public, not understanding finance in all its intricate details, thinks John Hart is pretty good because provincial taxes are all the time going down and, what is more, there are now and then rebates, as in motor licenses and electricity bills.

Mr. Hart is a financial legend, because he has put this province in a position so financially sound that it is envied by other provinces, who wonder how Mr. Hart does it.

The budget is a sort of ancient rite with Mr. Hart. He has been doing it so long he presents it in a sing-song fashion.

But there is plenty in Mr. Hart's budget that the small man can figure out. The public does understand, for instance, that an extra \$5,000 is going to help out at Victoria College. It knows full well that hospitals can make good use of an extra \$80,000. Rural people are able to appreciate that the government will pay 50 per cent of tuition fees when their children must attend city high schools. The public can feel thankful that an additional \$55,000 is going to T.B. control and \$26,000 more to the Board of Health. All these things affect the average citizen, therefore he knows what the Premier is talking about.

SAVING

Mr. Hart, however, seems to specialize, not on these small things, although he mentions them, knowing how important they are, but on big international finance, which he knows and understands so well. With justifiable pride he told how the government is saving \$300,000 in United States exchange, because of a smart financial deal on the eastern market.

Days of a decade ago, days of bread line and unwelcome railroad passengers and treks to Ottawa, and marches on seats of government were called to mind when the Premier soberly told of the tremendous unemployment costs. In 10 years, he told the House, the staggering sum of \$94,000,000 had been spent on unemployment relief in this province—\$31,000,000 by the Dominion, \$51,000,000 by the province, about half of which is still owed, and \$11,000,000 by the municipalities.

CAUTIONS

Quietly Mr. Hart told of the big bank account British Columbia now has, and of surpluses past and expected and of colossal sums invested in Victory bonds, and of many other good things for British Columbians. He always keeps a neat egg or two and, looking at his 18th budget, it could be seen he has several hidden away. Mr. Hart, as becoming a good poker player, is a cautious man. He believes in bidding low, to make sure he always keeps on the good side. Take horse racing, for example. Last year the government collected \$382,000 in taxes from the races. But that doesn't make Mr. Hart gamble on \$400,000 next year. No, indeed. He stays on the safe side and budgets on only \$225,000.

And so Mr. Hart delivered his budget, full of facts and figures, uninteresting reading, no doubt, but a good story for everyone in B.C., and the rest of Canada, for that matter. He talked of sinking funds and borrowing powers and all those other things the average layman and private M.L.A. can't possibly understand. Only bankers and financial experts know in detail what Mr.

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Art....

OUR POTTERS GAIN NATIONAL ATTENTION

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"Art of the Pacific coast Indian has impressed itself on the pottery from British Columbia," writes Ruth Home. "From the early work of Emily Carr, more famed, perhaps, for her paintings than for her pottery, to the more recent work of Marjorie Robertson or Doris Lecoq, there has been a definite attempt to carry on the traditions and spirit of the Indian and the pioneer. With three exceptions, most of the working potters have studied under the Victoria Board of Education or in the Vancouver School of Art."

Among the pictures of outstanding Canadian potters accompanying the article are those of Mrs. M. Grute instructing a pupil during night school classes, Mrs. C. D. Schofield at a pottery wheel, a group of animals modeled by Mrs. Elizabeth Burchett, and two of Emily Carr's Indian designs.

Miss Home asserts that from mere weight of membership numbers in the Canadian Guild of Potters, the pottery craft would seem to be most popular in Ontario. Of the 40 working potters, seven might be classed as professional handicraft potters, though the others all sell varying quantities of their output either privately or through the Canadian Handicrafts Guild's shop at Eaton's and the Women's Art Association.

After a summary of the pottery situation in each province in which she mentions the leading artists, Miss Home says that nearly all provincial governments are now sponsoring ceramics, as a handicraft. Difficulty in the past has been that the individual has had no place to prolong his manual education.

"Now established centres attract the younger generation who may have talent, skill and self-discipline enough to change their

amateur status to that of a professional potter," Miss Home says. "It must be recognized that the craft will not mature, that it will remain only a hobby and an escape from boredom so long as it does not attract the enthusiasm, interest and hard-working abilities of the younger generation."—K.M.

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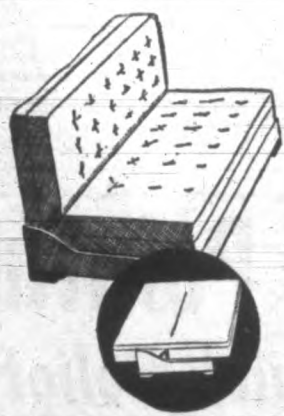
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Russian Prince Weds Victoria Bride

Mrs. Margot Calvert, widow of Mr. H. P. Calvert, and eldest daughter of Lt.-Col. F. Homer-Dixon, D.S.O., and Mrs. Homer-Dixon, Victoria, was united in marriage Jan. 22 at John the Baptist Church, Little Missenden, England, to Maj. Prince Paul Lieven, M.C., Royal Canadian Artillery. Prince Lieven is the eldest son of the late Prince and Princess Anatol Lieven of Russia. Officiating clergy were Rev. W. H. Davis and Capt. Whittington, chaplain to the Canadian forces. The service was fully choral.

The bride, who was given away by Mr. C. H. Villiers, wore a black tailor-made costume, with yellow chiffon blouse and yellow orchids, feather hat and short veil, and silver fox furs, also a string of pearls and pearl earrings. There was one child attendant, Barbara Villiers, Maj. Sir John Makgill, Bt., was groomsmen.

A reception, attended by 60 guests, was held at Ridgewell House, Little Missenden, Kent by Mrs. C. H. Villiers. The guests included the High Commissioner for Canada and Mrs. Vincent Massey, Lady Kynaston Studd (aunt of the bridegroom), Mrs. Lorn Cameron (aunt of the bride), Mrs. Barr (sister of the bride), the Countess de Renville, Sir John Hill Child, Bt., and Lady Hill Child and Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Dumas. When the bride and bridegroom left for Totnes, Devon, for their honeymoon, the bride was wearing a red dress with mink coat and hat.

Provincial I.O.D.E. To Meet in Victoria

Annual meeting of the Provincial Chapter, I.O.D.E., will be held this year in Victoria at the Empress Hotel in April. It was announced at a meeting Monday of Municipal Chapter. The annual meeting of Municipal Chapter, I.O.D.E., will take place on March 20 at the S.O.E. Hall, tea arrangements being made by the Mary Croft Esquimalt Chapter.

Silent tribute was paid to Mrs. A. J. Cote, who passed away recently, and to the late Mrs. John Goldie.

During the month 32,698 magazines were sorted and 300 books sent to Mrs. J. Quinn, as well as a truckload of magazines. The naval library at Esquimalt received 200 books and magazines. Seventy-five knitted articles were given to the navy and 90 pounds of wool has been ordered from Provincial Chapter, as well as one bolt of flannelette for jenkins.

London Receives Seamen's Comforts

Victoria Depot of the Royal Naval War Comforts Committee has received a letter from the Missions to Seamen, London headquarters, in which Miss B. D. Gardiner says: "Case No. 38 arrived here during the last week in January... please accept my sincere thanks for the excellent consignment of woollens. The main contents are: 72 pairs Melior gloves, 13 jerseys, 23 pairs seaboot stockings, 50 pairs of socks and three bedcovers. I am extremely grateful to you for all the help you are giving us in providing these woollens, and for creating so much interest in our work for seamen amongst the people in Victoria."

Case No. 39 was sent from Victoria two weeks ago and case No. 40 is being packed now. According to the latest news from the London headquarters the great wants are jerseys, seaboot stockings and socks. The present case includes seven yellow cloth caps with woollen linings, the work of Roccabella Working Party.

P.T.A. News

North Saanich. Sixty card players attended a 500 card party at the High School auditorium. A. Sanbury supervised play and Mrs. P. Brethour convened refreshments. Monthly parties will be held. Military 500 will be played March 17.

Engagements

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Verbunt of Calgary announce the engagement of their elder daughter, Jacqueline Anne, to Leading Seaman Gordon Albert Drew, R.C.N., son of Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Drew, Victoria, formerly of Calgary. Mrs. Drew has left for Calgary to attend the wedding which is to take place the end of February.

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To Model at Ball and Fashion Show



A group of Victoria College girls who will model the latest in bathing suits at the T.V.A. Ball and Fashion Show Friday evening, are above, left to right: Misses Nora Dryburgh, Francis Harrison, Barbara Beale, Nan Wilson, Betsy de Beck, Winona Ross, Mrs. Mildred Tupper and Miss Sylvia Monckton will also be mannequins. Mrs. T. A. Johnston is arranging the fashion show.

Personal Notes

Lieutenant-Governor and Mrs. W. C. Woodward will leave Government House for their home in Vancouver this evening.

Mrs. C. F. Armstrong is visiting in Vancouver, the guest of Mrs. Brice Evans.

Misses Lorraine Borley and Margaret Juttlesad, Seattle, are visitors in the city, guests at the Empress Hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Norman and Mr. and Mrs. Ben Larsen, all of Auburn, Wash., are holidaying at the Strathcona Hotel.

Dr. and Mrs. J. L. Hansen of Tacoma is at the Sussex. Other guests here are Mrs. J. A. Taylor, Oakville, Ont., and Mrs. R. H. Gurd, Vancouver.

Recruiting officer C.W.A.C., Lieut. Barbara Bullock-Webster of Victoria, has returned to her station at Vancouver from spending annual leave at Ottawa and Montreal.

Lieut. Rev. Norman Warham, R.C.N., and Mrs. Warham, with their infant son, have returned to their home in Victoria after visiting the latter's mother, Mrs. J. M. Stewart, in Vancouver.

Mrs. A. Drew, 1318 McKenzie Street, has left for Calgary to attend the wedding of her son, L.S. Gordon Albert Drew, R.C.N., and Miss Anne Verbunt, which will take place at the end of this month.

Mrs. R. W. Mayhew entertained at dinner Monday evening at a downtown club, when her guests included the management of V.M.D. and a few senior officers of the Canadian merchant marine.

Visiting at the Empress Hotel are: Mrs. P. Piper, Vancouver; Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Fletcher, Hopkins Landing; Mr. and Mrs. D. R. Davis, Vancouver; Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Hargraves, Vancouver; Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Bayless, Portland; Major R. Y. Holdsworth, Vancouver; and Mr. and Mrs. A. Morrison of Auburn.

Victoria Officer Married Overseas



Lieut. Alec J. Crawford, R.C.O.C., and his bride, the former Beryl Francis Clarke, A.T.S., whose marriage took place in St. Margaret's Church, Putney Park Lane, England. The bride is the only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Clarke, Putney, while Lieut. Crawford is the eldest son of Capt. and Mrs. J. A. B. Crawford, Asquith Street, and is well known in Victoria, being active in sports at Victoria High School. A reception was held in St. Margaret's Hall, where the young couple were presented with a silver tray from officers of the R.C.O.C., and silverware from officers of the A.T.S. Among the guests was Maj. J. Bennell, Beach Drive.

Weddings

Rev. J. P. Westman solemnized the marriage between Vivian May Nock, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. Doyle, 1048 Topaz Ave., and LAC. Gerald A. Creator, R.C.A.F., of Rosthern, Sask., which took place in Vancouver Saturday evening in the presence of the immediate family.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a turquoise jersey wool afternoon frock with brown accessories, and a corsage bouquet of mauve orchids. Miss Anne Wilson of Victoria was bridesmaid, wearing a gold wool afternoon frock with navy blue accessories, her corsage bouquet being composed of carnations, hyacinths and jonquils. LAC. Douglas Yates, R.C.A.F., was groomsmen.

Following a honeymoon on the mainland, the bride will return to reside with her parents, while the groom will return to his station.

At a service Sunday afternoon in Cowdroy Bay Church the small children of a number of R.C.A.F. men from the nearby station were christened. Chaplains from the station, Flt. Lt. W. C. Daniel and Flt. Lt. Morrison officiated. Among the children christened were Gary, son of FO, and Mrs. R. Watson; Bonita May, daughter of Flt. Sgt. and Mrs. H. Klang; Nancy and Phillip, children of Flt. Sgt. and Mrs. G. Stantal; Patricia Margaret, daughter of LAC. Kenneth and Mrs. Martin; Penny, daughter of LAC. and Mrs. R. Dalby; Howard and Margery, children of ACI and Mrs. H. Parfitt.

Among the Seattle guests at the Empress Hotel are: Miss E. M. Compton, Mr. and Mrs. L.

Valentine bridge tea Wednesday, 2.30, O.E.S. Hall, Oak Bay Chapter, O.E.S.

At the last meeting of Pasapas, Mrs. M. Johnston presided and devotionals were read by Miss P. Barber. A number of knitted articles were turned in for servicemen and will be sent overseas by Mrs. J. McAllister. The group will join with the Clover Point group in holding a rummage sale. The hostess was assisted by Mrs. D. McGregor and Mrs. A. Bradbury. Next meeting will be at the home of Mrs. A. S. Christie March 10.

W.A. Chamel Islands Society, Thursday, 2.30, 635 Fort Street.

Woman's Auxiliary to Royal Jubilee Hospital 2.30, Wednesday, Nurses' Home.

St. Albans Senior W.A., Thursday, 2.30, church, Archdeacon Collison will speak.

Guild of Health, St. John's Church, Wednesday; Holy Communion, 10.30.

Langford Dance. A dance in Colwood Hall aided the funds for the proposed Community Hall at Langford, Mrs. Deane Freeman being general convener, assisted by Mesdames V. McTavish, L. Carlson, R. Car-

Primary Chapter Elects Conveners

Conveners for the new term were elected at a meeting of Royal Bride Chapter, I.O.D.E., Monday, Mrs. G. Frederic Green presiding, and included war services, Miss Nancy Stephenson; work in India, Mrs. R. Clark; child and family welfare, Miss Lucy Huzzey; ex-service personnel committee, Miss Lucy Huzzey; films, Miss Margaret McMartin; Canadianization and immigration and Empire study, Miss Marjorie Webb; hospitality committee, Miss Marion Jones, Miss Rubymay Brown, Miss Gwen Dodsforth.

Volunteers for councillors were Misses Margaret McMartin, Rubymay Brown, Jane Clague, Daphne Murray, Jean Conway and Mrs. G. Renie.

Mrs. Green addressed the meeting on the founding and objects of the order, this month being the 44th anniversary of the I.O.D.E.

Lans were made for a contest, the prize to be a \$25 scrip at W. & J. Wilson's the proceeds to be devoted to the chapter's war work.

Appointed to a committee for the coming joint I.O.D.E. affair are Mrs. Green, Misses Betty Paul and Rubymay Brown.

In future, business meetings will take place on the second Monday of the month. Next knitting meeting will be at the home of the honorary regent, Mrs. P. E. Corby, 1315 Vimy Avenue.

To Hold Contest For League Crest

Mrs. B. W. Sinclair will be in charge of a contest to be held among high school students of Victoria to decide upon a crest for the Solarium Junior League.

Judges will be announced later and the contest will close on March 31.

Mrs. A. E. Pitkethley presided at a meeting of the league Monday evening.

Mrs. F. Waring reported the furnishing of the gift house is under way, and the house will be open for inspection the early part of March.

Sum of \$27.93 has been received from the checking at the Royal Victoria Theatre for the last three performances.

Mrs. J. H. Scaplen reported that \$14.38 was taken in in January from the Penny Boxes. Plans for the April shower of dimes have been made. Mrs. K. McCrae has been appointed to convene a bazaar to be held in June.

The sum of \$100 was voted to the Solarium W.A. for the annual linen shower for the purchase of linen for the Solarium.

Victoria and District Local Council—Stan Clarke presided at the last meeting when a brief report was given by Bob Jervis-Read on the purpose of the Youth Commission and three delegates were nominated to represent the council at future meetings. Miss Frances Paterson asked that all branches who have not handed in their per capita and affiliation fees to do so. Miss Irene Webb reported on the A.Y.P.A. monthly, stating that Victoria and district now have a total of 146 subscriptions. Stan Clarke reported on the Lenten lectures to be held in Christ Church Memorial Hall at 4, each Sunday during Lent.

Dean Spencer H. Elliott will be the speaker, and the subject is "The Bible and Its Creation." Friday at 7.45 there will be a service of worship for youth at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church. The service will be attended by all youth organizations, and parts of the service will be conducted by different denominations.

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All Wage Moves Tabled One Week By City Council

A draft agreement covering a 10 per cent wage increase for city firemen this year and another 5 per cent next, with provision for maintenance of those salary levels for five years, was tabled by the City Council Monday afternoon for consideration at next Monday's meeting on the city salary schedule by-law and general wage considerations.

Ald. Archie Wills, fire wardens chairman, pointed out the proposal was distinct from other general calls for increases and should have been considered earlier. The firemen had submitted a good case and the arrangement, he added, "was the best deal we could get."

Also referred to the meeting on salaries were requests from the social welfare office for a 10 per cent increase in basic wages and a cost of living bonus, and recommendations from the water board on wage increases.

Similar action was taken with the Civic Federation's application for a full cost of living bonus.

Police estimates, approximately \$12,000 above last year, were referred back to the commission with a request they be reduced. Consideration of school estimates was stood over.

The council endorsed Mayor Andrew McGavin's motion for continued efforts to secure lower light and power rates for Victoria, in accordance with a letter from the mayor outlining reasons for special consideration for this city.

Labor's plea for city assistance in securing representation on the Jubilee Hospital Board was referred to city representatives on the board.

Letters from John Day, giving his side of a dispute with G. M. Irwin, city engineer and water commissioner, over arrangements to secure for R. W. Mayhew, M.P., plans for the proposed Thetis Cove-Portage Inlet canal, were received and Mr. Day was thanked for securing the plans and forwarding them to Mr. Mayhew. Mayor McGavin agreed with Mr. Irwin when the latter stated Mr. Day had misrepresented facts in his complaints. Another letter from Mr. Day, outlining conditions he contended existed on the watershed, was tabled pending submission by Mr. Day of his qualifications as a critic. An opinion was asked from the city solicitor on the letter.

On the recommendation of the water board, supported by a report from Ald. E. J. Gadsden, the contract for cutting trees for fuel in the Goldstream Park area was terminated. Regret was expressed some live trees in the area had been destroyed.

The council approved public works recommendations covering two roadway permits, two crushed rock sidewalks, one on Fifth Street, the other on Victoria, and a storm sewer on Chambers. Purchase of a \$130 sump pump for the garbage department was also authorized.

Parks and boulevard committee suggestions calling for planting 488 suitable boulevard trees, saving acacias on Gladstone, and establishing 300 hanging flower baskets, if merchants will pay for their maintenance, were accepted.

With the mayor and Ald. D. D. McTavish in the negative, the council endorsed a special recommendation asking the city health officer to refuse further licenses for operation of hot-dog wagons on city streets.

Ald. W. L. Morgan was appointed city delegate to attend a Vancouver meeting Friday morning, at which education costs on land will be studied.

Over the opposition of Ald. Fred Wills the City Council sold property in the old Graham estate for \$1,200 and reserved the southwest corner of Michigan and Menzies for a playground to replace the former. On another recommendation of the lands committee the council reserved property adjacent to South Park School for future school purposes. A score of properties were sold. The house and lot at 441 Gorge brought \$1,600, while that at 942 Pandora sold for \$1,800. The northeast corner of Gorge and Harriet sold for \$500; a lot on the northeast corner of Scott and Haultain, \$50; one on the west of Forbes, \$50; one on the east of Fifth, \$100; two on east Balfour, \$175; six parcels on Princess and Queens, \$1,500; two on east Beverly Place, \$175 each; one on the north of Herald, \$750; another on the south of Topaz, \$100; two on the north of Westall, \$150; three on the north of Discovery, \$2,250; two on the south of Pandora, \$3,500; one on the north of Hillside, \$100; two on the southeast of Fort and Moss, \$300; one on the west of St. Charles, \$225; one on the north of Burton, \$50, and one on the east of Davey, \$225.

Special Committee Named By City To Study C.P.R. Taxes

Victoria's public utilities committee, which includes Mayor Andrew McGavin, chairman, and Aldermen W. L. Morgan, Archie Wills and John A. Worthington, will study with Ald. Fred A. Wills the C.P.R. taxation and water agreements for the Empress Hotel, laundry and Crystal Garden, which expire at the end of this year.

That committee was appointed by the mayor on the recommendation of Ald. Wills following receipt of a letter from J. E. McMullen, K.C., C.I.R. solicitor, asking for a renewal of existing agreements Monday.

Mr. McMullen made his plea following an outline of benefits which had accrued to the city

from construction of the hotel, publicity to bring tourists here, and from the triangle service instituted by the company.

"The C.P.R. forgot to send along a balance sheet showing how much they lost or made," commented Ald. Ed Williams. Ald. Wills found support for a motion to notify the C.P.R. the city would appreciate negotiations at a later date.

The mayor suggested a special committee be appointed. Copies of a joint statement

from F. L. Shaw, city solicitor, and D. A. Macdonald, city comptroller-treasurer, on the question were presented to each alderman.

AGREEMENTS OUTLINED

The statement outlined the agreements, which included one approved in 1923 and expiring this December whereby the company secured the Crystal Garden site at a rental of \$1 a year with tax exemption on the building and free water for that period. As compensation, the company

had agreed to build the Crystal Garden.

By another clause, payment of \$10,000 a year was fixed on the Empress Hotel in lieu of taxes and a fixed charge of \$5,000 was made for water. The agreement was approved by the electors.

In 1931 the by-law was amended to include water supplied the Empress Hotel laundry under the \$5,000 charge.

"It appears," said the report, "that the company can exercise its right of renewal of the lease

on the Crystal Garden lands at a rental to be agreed upon or determined by arbitration without any further by-law. However, there is no provision for renewing the agreement regarding fixed taxation and fixed charges for water on the Empress Hotel. This can only be done by another by-law being submitted to the people under the said act of 1923. It is also to be noted that there is no power in either the city act or the Municipal Act for submitting a by-law to the electorate to give

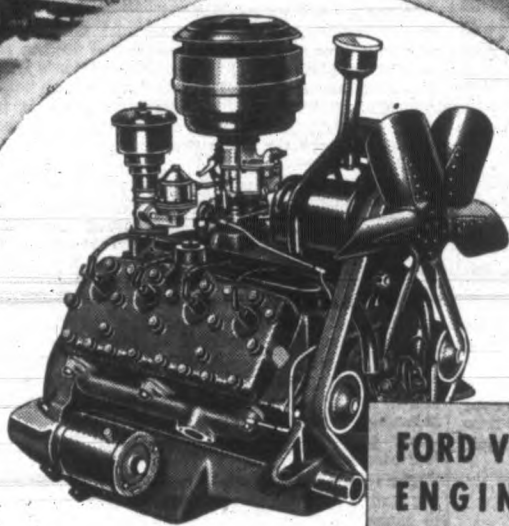
a fixed fee on water to the laundry, so it appears as if that building will have to pay ordinary rates after the agreement expires on December 31, 1944, unless the City Water Works Act of 1873 is wide enough to permit such special agreement."

The statement listed assessment on the Empress Hotel grounds and improvements, noting taxes, on the basis of last year's rate would have amounted to \$54,790, while combined water charges last year would have been \$11,239.

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Dominion to Show 'Guadalcanal Diary'

Stirring picturization of Richard Tregaskis' "Guadalcanal Diary," the action-packed story of the hard-fighting, wisecracking U.S. Marines who brought America its first taste of victory, is scheduled to open Friday at the Dominion Theatre.

Heading the brilliant cast of the film are Preston Foster, Lloyd Nolan, William Bendix, Richard Conte and Anthony Quinn.

OAK BAY AND PLAZA THEATRES

The vivid film story of the famous "Klondike Kate," the most fabulous and romantic figure of the Yukon gold rush era, is now at the Oak Bay and Plaza Theatres. It is a Columbia picture, with lovely Ann Savage in the leading and title role, and the supporting cast includes Tom Neal, Glenda Farrell, Constance Worth and Lester Allen.

ATLAS THEATRE

No mystery story would be complete without the man with the rasping voice to send cold shivers up and down your spine. There is no better actor in pictures suited for this role than Tom Dugan, who has been rasping at actors for years. Currently he is to be seen in "The Ghost Breakers," that hair-raising comedy co-starring Bob Hope and Paulette Goddard, which is currently at the Atlas Theatre.

YORK THEATRE

As soon as he completed the editing of Columbia's "The Talk of the Town," now at the York Theatre with Cary Grant, Jean Arthur and Ronald Colman, George Stevens headed for New York to view the new plays before plunging into production plans for "The American Way," also for Columbia.

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Salvation Army Wins Fight For Pandora Ave. Site

The Salvation Army Monday afternoon bought from the city the two Pandora Avenue lots it originally sought after some of the best straight talking heard in the City Council chamber in some time.

The lots, on the south of Pandora, between Douglas and Blanshard, brought \$3,500, and were sold on a seven-to-four vote by the council. Supporting the sale were Aldermen Archie Wills, Ed. Williams, B. J. Gadsden, D. D. McTavish, Fred A. Willis, T. W. Hawkins and Margaret D. Christie. In the negative were Mayor McGavin and Aldermen J. A. Worthington, W. H. Davies and W. L. Morgan.

R. H. Shanks and Alfred Carmichael, speaking for owners of property adjoining the site sought by the Salvation Army, had listed objections to the sale. They spoke of postwar development and the desirability of keeping the block for retail purposes, without unit buildings such as churches, banks or garages. They saw the region of the hub of the city in the future Greater Victoria era. Mr. Carmichael thought a suitable site could be found in the next block east. Mr. Shanks had suggested one on Cormorant.

Ald. Wills remarked no objection had come from the property owners when a lot three distant from that sought by the Salvation Army had been sold for a garage.

Maj. A. McInnes, speaking for the Salvation Army, put his case squarely before the council.

EYESORE ALREADY THERE

The submissions by opponents, he said, were not substantial enough to merit concern. He noted the call by the opposing speakers for lighted buildings and drew their attention to the shabby condition of buildings in the neighborhood, including what he termed an "eyesore" at the eastern corner.

"We're not putting up a shack," he said, adding, "I imagine the men who have spoken this afternoon would like to choose the best site available for any building they wished to erect. I don't see why the Salvation Army should not have the same privilege."

"Our work," he stated, "is not among people who come from the Uplands. Much of it is among those who come off the street." The public institution, he continued, would draw people past commercial show windows which might be set out by other buildings, and would be beneficial.

"We are not asking a favor—it's a straight business deal," he added, noting the price was considerably above that for which other property in the locality had been sold.

The cash offer actually carried the fight. Had the previous plan to exchange properties been followed, the by-law covering it could have been beaten by a minority of three on the second reading. Before making the cash bid the Salvation Army had asked the offer to trade be discarded.

DOMINION THEATRE

"We Dive at Dawn," co-starring Eric Portman and John Mills, is now showing at the Dominion Theatre. The characters are the crew of the British submarine, the "Sea Tiger," the background is the interior of the craft, and the action is laid in the North Sea and the Baltic.

CAPITOL THEATRE

"Old Acquaintance," adopted from the successful Broadway production of the same name by John Van Druten, starring Bette Davis and Miriam Hopkins, will be the new screen fare at the Capitol Theatre today.

The new Warner Bros. picture features Gig Young.

RIO THEATRE

"Texas," magnificent new Columbia drama starring William Holden, Claire Trevor and Glenn Ford, is now at the Rio Theatre. A thundering epic of heroic adventure, "Texas" was directed by George Marshall from the screen play by Horace McCoy, Lewis Meltzer and Michael Blankfort.

CADET THEATRE

"Next of Kin" is the title of the attraction at the Cadet Theatre today. It is an English production, released here by Universal, and has been widely heralded as one of the most grimly realistic films ever made.

Penicillin for Allies In Burma, China

CALCUTTA (CP)—A \$3,500,000 shipment of penicillin, the first of the life-saving drug for blood infections to reach the China-Burma-India war theatre, has arrived aboard two air transport command planes. Two nurses escorted the medicine, which will be sent to forward areas.

Centenary Autopsy In Offing; Protests Heard By Council

Victoria's centenary celebration autopsy appeared in the offing today, but there appeared to be some doubt as to whether the patient was dead or not.

The matter raised a flurry at Monday's City Council meeting, with sharp interchange between Mayor Andrew McGavin and Ald. Archie Wills.

The brush occurred when protests were read from representatives serving on the original group handling anniversary functions, the Soroptimists Club of Greater Victoria and Women's Canadian Club. Earlier the council had approved a letter from the mayor calling on the treasurer to balance the centenary accounts, determine the money left from functions already held and divide it equally between the provincial government and the city.

A long letter was read from representatives of groups who had been called in to assist in the original program. They voiced dissatisfaction with the conduct of the committee since last June, their notification at a late date, that the original committee had been disbanded, and the manner in which funds had allegedly been spent on non-centenary functions. That group called for a financial statement and deplored the attitude of a city representative who had run down the "Victoria Cavalcade," for which, they claimed, insufficient publicity had been secured.

The Soroptimists asked for a statement, while the Women's Canadian Club also asked for a statement, a list of functions and an announcement as to which of several permanent memorials had been chosen to commemorate the centenary year.

A motion was put referring the matters to the centenary committee.

"There isn't a centenary committee this year," Ald. D. D. McTavish, chairman in 1943, reported.

CLASH

At that point Ald. Wills objected to the manner in which the mayor's suggestion had been put through before protest letters were read. A minor clash with the mayor ensued.

Question was raised over the fact no report had been given last year by the committee, Ald. Wills saying it was up to the mayor to look after the taxpayers in that respect.

Ald. McTavish, explaining outsiders had been brought in to help the celebrations committee on initial events, said the committee had planned to spend \$2,000 to \$3,500 on the construction of a bastion near the original site as a permanent memorial, provided funds were available.

Ald. Morgan moved the question be referred to the members of last year's committee for a report.

Ald. W. H. Davies said a financial report was in preparation. He saw no reason why a meeting should not be held, and added there were items which would draw protest, but that many now protesting were not even on the executive.

"The Cavalcade was a success, wasn't it?" asked the mayor.

DISMAL FAILURE

"The Cavalcade was a dismal failure," Ald. Davies replied, saying the deficit from it would be about \$1,800.

Ald. Williams moved to have the letters tabled for a report from committee members at the next meeting, and Ald. Wills gave notice of motion to rescind approval of the mayor's proposal.

Ald. Margaret Christie said she had been informed the centenary year was not up until March 13.

"No," the mayor replied, "when we bumbled the money from the government, they decided it should be a short celebration."

Ald. Davies said the centenary year had started last March and, according to B.C. historians, it should end this March.

H.P. RATION-GRAM

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British-U.S. Invasion Armies of Equal Strength Says Churchill

Unity of 3 Great Allied Powers Achieved At Teheran Unbroken

LONDON (CP)—The text of Prime Minister Churchill's war review in the House of Commons:

This is no time for sorrow or rejoicing. It is a time for preparation, effort and resolve. The war is still going on. I have never taken the view that the end of the war in Europe is at hand, or that Hitler is about to collapse, and I have certainly given no guarantee or even held out any expectation that the year 1944 will see the end of the European war, nor have I given any guarantee the other way.

On the whole my information, and I have a good deal, goes to show that Hitler and his police are still in full control and that the Nazi party and the generals have decided to hang together. The strength of the German army is about 300 divisions though many of these are substantially reduced in numbers. The fighting quality of the troops is high. The German general staff system which we failed to liquidate after the last war represents an order comprising many thousands of highly-trained officers and a school of doctrine of unbroken continuity. It possesses great skill both in handling troops in action and in their rapid movement from place to place. The recent fighting in Italy should leave no doubt on these points.

It is true that the results of our bombing have had a noteworthy effect on German munitions production. In the people, they have produced a dull apathy which also affects munitions production and air force services.

Many Nazi Divisions Drawn Into Italy

The splendid victories of our Soviet ally on the eastern front have been inflicting immense losses on the enemy. The fact that so many enemy divisions have been drawn into Italy and into Yugoslavia while other large bodies of his troops are held in France and the Low Countries by fear of invasion has been a help to these victories. Moreover, Anglo-American bombing of Germany, absorbing as it does about 3,000,000 Germans, has together with other British and American activities drawn four-fifths of the German fighter forces to the British and American fronts. I believe an even larger number of bombers are against us and our American allies.

This also has been of assistance to the Soviet Union and I think these statements should be made in justice to the western allies. They in no way detract from the glory of Russian arms. It must also be borne in mind in surveying the general foundation of the scene as we see it today that as German troops retreat westward they will find many opportunities of narrowing their fronts and if they choose to cut their losses in the Balkans or in the Italian peninsula at any time, a considerable number of divisions can be made available for the purpose of strengthening their central reserve.

It is far from my wish to make any boastful statement about the part which this island is playing in the war. It has however been borne upon me that the interests of the Alliance as a whole may be prejudiced if its other members are left in ignorance of the British share in the great events which are unfolding.

The Dominions also have the right to know that the Mother Country is playing its part.

I think it therefore my duty to state a few facts which are perhaps not generally realized. For instance, since Jan. 1, 1943, up to the present time, the middle of February, ships of the Royal Navy and aircraft of the R.A.F., that is to say forces of the Mother Country only, have sunk more than half the U-boats of which we have certain proof in the shape of living prisoners.

And they have also destroyed 40 per cent of the very large number of other U-boats of which either corpses or fragments provide definite evidence of destruction. Again on the naval side, apart from enemy U-boats we have sunk by British action alone since Jan. 1, 1943, 19 enemy warships and also a large number of E-boats, escort vessels, minesweepers and other auxiliaries. British action has been predominantly responsible for sinking during this period 316 merchant ships aggregating 835,000 tons.

At the same period 7,677 officers and men of the Royal Navy and about 4,200 merchant navy officers and men have lost their lives in British ships. This last, however, does not at all represent the total war sacrifice to date of our merchant seamen, because matters have improved very much lately. Since the beginning of the war the proportion of merchant seamen hailing from these islands alone who have been lost at sea on their vital duty has been about one-fifth of the average number engaged in this service.

The total personnel, officers

and men, of the Royal Navy lost since the war started is just over 30 per cent of its prewar strength, the figures being 41,000 killed out of 133,000, which was its total strength on the outbreak of war. Since Jan. 1, 1943, ships of the Royal Navy have bombed the enemy coast on 716 occasions. In the same period we have lost in action or had disabled for more than one year—serious disabilities—95 ships of war.

41,000 Killed In Royal Navy

Turning to the air, the honor of bombing Berlin has fallen almost entirely to us. Up to the present we have delivered the main attack upon Germany.

Excluding Dominion and Allied squadrons working with the R.A.F. British islanders have lost 38,300 pilots and air crews killed and 10,400 missing and over 10,000 aircraft.

Since the beginning of the war they have made nearly 900,000 sorties in the north European theatre.

As for the army, the British Army was little more than a police force in 1939, yet they have fought in every part of the world—in Norway, France, Holland, Belgium, Egypt, Eritrea, Abyssinia, Somaliland, Madagascar, Syria, north Africa, Persia, Sicily, Italy, Greece, Crete, Burma, Malaya, Hongkong.

I cannot now in this speech attempt to describe these many campaigns so infinitely varied in their characteristics, but his story will record how much the contribution of our soldiers has been beyond all proportion to the available manpower of these islands.

The Anglo-American air attack on Germany must be regarded as our chief offensive effort at the present time. Until the middle of 1943 we had by far the largest force in action. As a result of enormous transports across the Atlantic which have been made in 1943, the United States bomber force in this island now begins to surpass our own and will soon be substantially greater still, I rejoice to say.

The efforts of the two forces fit well together, and according to all past standards each effort is in itself prodigious. Let me take the last example. During 48 hours beginning at 3 a.m., Feb. 20, four great raids were made upon Germany. The first began against Leipzig the night of Feb. 19-20 by the R.A.F., when nearly 1,000 machines were dispatched, of which 79 were lost. On Sunday morning a tremendous American raid nearly 1,000 strong, escorted by an even greater number of fighters—British and American, but mostly American—set out for German towns, including Leipzig, in broad daylight.

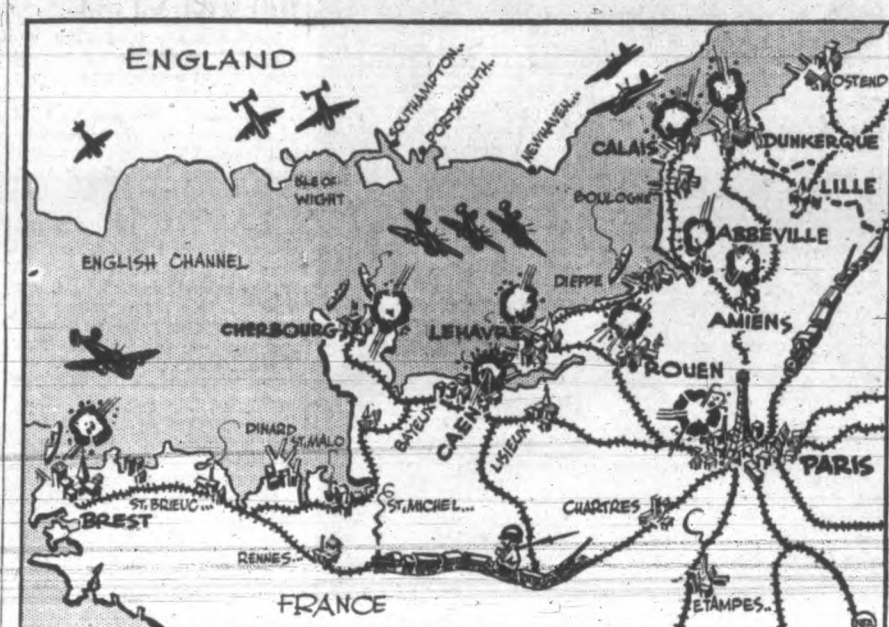
Losses in this raid were greatly reduced by the fact that enemy fighters had been scattered beforehand by British operations the night before. Fighters descended at bases other than their own and could not be so readily handled. In the ensuing action the full effect of American precision bombing was therefore realized. Following hard on this night, Feb. 20-21, another British raid was delivered, this time on Stuttgart, and again in very great strength, some 600 to 700. The effect of the preceding 24 hours of bombing relieved this third raid to a large extent. And finally the American force went out again on a big scale and drove home in a most effective manner our joint air superiority over the enemy.

Taken together these four raids in which over 9,000 tons of bombs were dropped on Germany by the two Allies constituted the most violent attack yet made upon Germany. They also proved the value of saturation in every aspect of air war. That aspect will steadily increase as our forces develop and as the American force comes into its full strength. The spring and summer will see a vast increase in the force of the attack directed upon all military objectives in Germany and German-occupied countries. Long range bombing from Italy will also penetrate the southern part of Germany.

U.S. and British Air Forces Matched

We look for great restriction and dislocation of the entire German munitions supply, no matter how far the factories are withdrawn. In addition, the precision of American daylight attacks is giving exceptional results upon particular points, not only in clear daylight, but now with the development of navigational raids, through clouds. The whole of this air offensive constitutes the foundation on which our plans for overseas invasion stand in the scales, and the degrees of attack will reach far beyond the dimensions of anything yet employed, or, indeed, imagined.

The idea that we should fetter



COAST SOFTENED UP—Increase in bombing of the whole of Europe, with deeper penetration into the heart of Germany by day and night operations, was promised by Mr. Churchill in his speech to the House of Commons today. Included in the bombing targets are the coast of France as shown above, likely point of invasion of the continent and currently suspected location of bases for new means of attack on Britain, "pilotless planes or possibly rocket guns."

or further restrict the use of this prime instrument for war will not be accepted by the governments of the Allied nations. The proper course for German civilians and non-combatants to take is to quit the centres of munitions production and take refuge in the countryside. We intend to make war production in its widest sense in all German cities, towns, and factory centres impossible.

Retaliation by the enemy has so far been modest, but we must expect it to increase. Hitler has great need to exaggerate his counterattacks in order to placate his formerly deluded population.

Germans Preparing New Means of Attack

Besides these air attacks there is no doubt that the Germans are preparing on the French shore new means of attack on this country, either by pilotless aircraft, or possibly rockets, or both, on a considerable scale. We have long been watching these with the utmost vigilance. We are striking at all evidence of these preparations on every occasion when the weather is suitable, and to the maximum extent possible, without detracting from the strategic offensive against Germany. An elaborate scheme of bombing priorities upon which a large band of highly skilled American and British officers are constantly at work in accordance with directions of the Combined Chiefs of Staff in Washington, has governed our action for some time past.

It is continually kept up to date in relation to our strategic schemes and aims. I do not believe that better machinery could be devised. It is always flexible enough to allow us to turn aside for some particular objective as, for instance, Sofia, capital of hated Bulgaria. Weather, of course, remains the final factor in the decision where each day or night's activities shall be employed, and that puts a very great responsibility in the hands of the officers who actually handle these enormous masses of aircraft. The use of airpower also affects the general war situation by the toll which it takes of the enemy's fighter aircraft, both by day and night, but especially by the Americans by day, because they have very great actions with their formations of flying Fortresses and enemy fighter aircraft.

Already we have seen the German air program concentrate mainly on fighters, thus indicating how much they have been thrown on the defensive in Italy. Now, this new German fighter strength is being remorselessly worn down both in the air and in the factories, which are the object of continual attack. Every opportunity is and will be sought by us to force the enemy to expend and exhaust his fighter aircraft strength. Our production of aircraft, fighters and bombers, judged by every possible test already far exceeds the Germans. Russian production is about equal to ours, and American production alone is double or treble German production.

When I speak of production I mean not only that of aircraft, not only that of machines, but of all that vast organization—training schools and auxiliary services which minister to our power—without whose efficiency air power could not manifest itself. What the experience of Germany will be when her fighter defence has been almost completely eliminated and our aircraft can go all over Germany by day or night

with nothing to fear but flak, has yet to be seen.

Japanese Airpower Overmatched, Worn

The same is true of the airpower of Japan. That also is being overmatched and worn down, and production is incomparably small, compared to that of the great powers whom Japan has assailed.

Whereas on former occasions when I have addressed the House and tried to give a general picture of the war in its scale and proportion, I have always set the war against the U-boat menace in the forefront. I deliberately on this occasion gave primacy to the great developments in airpower which have been achieved and which are to be expected. This airpower was the weapon which both marauding states selected as their main tool of conquest. This was the sphere in which they were to triumph.

This was the method by which nations were to be subjected to their rule. I shall not moralize further than to say there is strange and stern justice in the long swing of events.

Our other great joint Anglo-American offensive is in Italy. Many people have been disappointed with progress there since the capture of Naples in October. This has been due to extremely bad weather which marks the winter in a supposedly sunny land and which this year has been worse than usual. Secondly, it is because the Germans bit by bit have been drawn into Italy and have decided to make extreme exertions for retention of the city of Rome. In October they began to move a number of divisions southwards from the valley of the Po and construct a winter line south of Rome in order to confront and delay the advance of the 5th and 8th Armies and their General Alexander.

We were therefore committed to a frontal advance in an extremely mountainous country which gave every advantage to the defence. All rivers flow at right angles to our march and violent rains often turn these rivers in a few hours into raging torrents, thus sweeping away all military bridges drawn across them and sometimes leaving part of the assaulting force committed to attack on far side and beyond reach of immediate support. In addition to these difficulties there has been need to build up large supplies of stores and vehicles of all kinds in Italy, and also a strategic air force which is being developed for an attack on Southern Germany made extremely large priority inroads in our transportation and especially those forms of transportation most in demand. An immense amount of work has been done and results will be apparent later on.

Britain Has Biggest Army in Italy

Among the Allies we have much the larger army in Italy. The American air force in the Mediterranean on the other hand is larger than the British, and the two together possess enormous superiority quantitatively, and also we believe qualitatively, over the enemy. We have also complete command of the sea, where an American squadron is actively working with the British fleet. Such being the position, many people wonder why it was not possible to make a large amphibious turning movement either on the western or eastern side of

Italy to facilitate the forward march of our armies.

Need for this was of course obvious to the commanders, British and American, but the practical difficulty of carrying it into effect depended upon the fleet being properly fitted in with the general Allied program of the year. This program comprises larger issues and forces than those with which we are concerned in Italy. Difficulties which hitherto obstructed action were removed at conferences at Carthage at Christmas and Marakesh in January.

The plans were approved by the President of the United States and the Combined Chiefs of Staff in supreme direction of the war in the first week of January. Preparations had already begun in anticipation of surmounting the final difficulties, and Jan. 22 was fixed as the zero date by General Alexander, on whom rests direct responsibility for fighting the battle.

It was certainly no light matter to launch this large army of 40,000 to 50,000 with all the uncertainties of winter weather and all the unknowable strength of the enemy's fortifications—to launch it upon the seas.

The operation itself was a model of combined working. The landing was virtually unopposed, but subsequent events did not take the course which had been hoped or planned.

In the upshot we got a great army ashore equipped with masses of artillery, tanks and very many thousands of vehicles, and our troops, moving inland, came into contact with the enemy. The German reactions to this descent have been remarkable. Hitler has apparently resolved to defend Rome with the same obstinacy which he showed at Stalingrad, in Tunisia and recently in the Dnieper Bend. No fewer than seven extra German divisions were brought rapidly down from France, northern Italy and from Yugoslavia, and a determined attempt has been made to destroy the bridgehead and drive us into the sea.

Beachhead Battles Prolonged, Intense

Battles of prolonged and intense fierceness have been fought. At the same time the American and British 5th Army to the southward was pressing forward with all its strength, and another battle is raging there on both fronts. There has been in the last week most severe and continuous engagements, very full accounts of which have been given every day in the press and official communiques. Up to the present moment the enemy has sustained very heavy losses but has not shaken the resistance of the bridgehead army. These forces are well matched, though we are definitely stronger in artillery and armor, and of course when weather is favorable our air power plays an immense part.

Gen. Alexander has probably seen more fighting against the Germans than any living British commander, unless it be Gen. Freyburg, who is also in the fray. Alexander says the bitterness and fierceness of the fighting now going on both in the bridgehead and on the Cassino front surpasses all his previous experience. He even uses in one message to me the word "terrible". On the southern Cassino front, British, American, Dominion, Indian, French and Polish troops are fighting side by side in noble comradeship. Their leaders are confident of final success. I can say no more than what I have said, for I would

not attempt to venture any over-confident predictions, but their leaders are confident and the troops are in the highest spirit of offensive vigor.

On the broad grounds of strategy, Hitler's decision to send into the south of Italy as many as 18 divisions, involving, with their maintenance troops, probably something like half a million Germans, and his decision there in Italy to make a large secondary front, is not unwelcome to the Allies. We must fight the Germans somewhere in this war unless we are to stand still and watch the Russians.

This wearing battle in Italy occupies troops which can not be employed in other greater operations and it is an effective prelude to them. We have sufficient forces at our disposal in Africa to nourish the struggle as fast as they can be transported across the Mediterranean.

The weather is likely to improve as spring approaches, and as the skies clear Allied air power will reach its fullest manifestation. This time last year, Feb. 22 to the day, when I remember I was ill in bed, I was deeply anxious about the situation in Tunisia where we had just sustained an unpleasant check at Kasserine Pass. I placed my confidence then in Gen. Alexander and in the British, American and French troops who were engaged in battle.

In Gen. Maitland Wilson and Alexander we have at once the supreme commander in the Mediterranean and the fighting head of the army in Italy. In Britain, on the other hand, we have a staff of the greatest magnitude, Gen. Eisenhower, with whom we have worked so long, so happily and so successfully, has been placed at the summit of the war direction and with Air Chief Marshal Tedder as his deputy, and with his brilliant United States Chief of Staff, trusty Gen. Bedell Smith.

Long War Will See U.S. Armies Growing

As certain statements have been made in America—unofficial statements—about the relative strength of armies to be employed from here, I think it necessary to state that British and American armies at the outset of the struggle will be approximately equal, but if its duration is prolonged the continuous inflow of Americans, built up at an enormous rate, will naturally give them superiority in numbers, which they would expect from the great resources and manpower which they dispose of and which they desire above all things to bring as speedily as possible into contact with the enemy.

Therefore it is right that the supreme command should go to the United States. I must now turn from actual military operations to the European political scene, which influences all military affairs so vehemently planned. In this present war of so many nations against Nazi tyranny there has at least been a common principle at work throughout Europe and among conquered peoples—their unity of hatred and desire to revolt against the Germans, such as has never been known against any race before.

The penalties of Nazi defeat are vital. After the blinding flash of catastrophe, the stunning blow of the gaping wounds, there comes an onset of diseases of defeat. The central principle of a nation's life is broken, and all health and normal control vanishes. There are new societies that can withstand the conditions of such a situation. Quislings and collaborationists of all kinds abound. Guerrilla leaders, each with their personal followers, quarrel and fight. There are already in Greece and Yugoslavia factions engaged in civil war one with another and animated by hatreds more fierce than the common foe.

Among all these varied forces the German oppressor develops his intrigues with typical ruthlessness and merciless cruelty. In Italy we are working for the present with the government of the King and Badoglio. In Yugoslavia we give aid to Tito. In Greece, in spite of the fact that a British officer was murdered by the guerrilla organization ELAE, we are doing our utmost to bring about a reconciliation or at least a workable agreement between the opposing factions.

The battle for Italy, for reasons I have already explained, will be hard and long. I am not yet convinced that any other government can be formed at the present time in Italy which would command the same obedience from the Italian armed forces.

Should we succeed in the present battle and enter Rome—as I trust and believe we shall—we shall be free to review the whole Italian political position and we

shall do so with many advantages which we do not possess at the present time. It is from Rome that a more broadly based Italian government can best be formed.

I should be sorry, however, to see an unsettling change made at a time when the battle is at its climax, swaying to and fro. What you have to hold a hot coffee pot it is better not to break off the handle until you are sure that you can get another equally convenient and serviceable, or at least that you will find a dishcloth handy.

On the other side of the Adriatic in the vast mountain regions of Yugoslavia, Albania and Greece, an area of perhaps 800 miles from north to south and 300 to 400 miles from east to west, a magnificent resistance to the German invaders is in full and violent progress. With the surrender of Italy, with which I think Britain had something to do, having fought the Italians since the summer of 1940, with that surrender 62 Italian divisions ceased to be a hostile fighting factor.

Confronted with this situation, Hitler decided to reinforce the Balkan peninsula heavily, and at the present time no fewer than 20 German divisions are engaged in the Balkans. That is to say, there are 25 German divisions in Italy, of which 18 are in the present battle in front of Rome, and another 20 over the vast area of the Balkans. They might be worse employed.

In Yugoslavia two main forces are in the field. First, there are guerrilla bands under Gen. Mihailovic. These were the first to take the field and represent old Serbia. Gen. Mihailovic, I regret to say, drifted gradually into a position where some of his commanders made accommodations with Italian and German troops, which resulted in their being left alone in certain mountain areas, and in return doing nothing or very little against the enemy.

However, a new and far more formidable champion appeared on the scene. In the autumn of 1941 Marshal Tito's Partisans began a wild and furious war for existence against the Germans, and they wrested weapons from German hands. They grew in numbers rapidly.

Gen. Tito Commands Army of 250,000

The Partisan movement soon outstripped in numbers the forces of Gen. Mihailovic. Not only Croats and Slovenes, but large numbers of Serbians joined with Marshal Tito, and he has at this moment more than a quarter of a million men with him and large quantities of arms taken from the enemy or from the Italians.

Around and within these heroic forces a national and unifying movement has developed. Communist elements had the honor of being the beginners, but the movement has increased in strength and numbers, a modifying and unifying process has taken place and national conceptions have supervened. In Marshal Tito the Partisans have found an outstanding leader, glorious in the fight for freedom. Unhappily, perhaps inevitably, these new forces came into collision with those under Gen. Mihailovic. Their activities upset his commanders' accommodation with the enemy. He endeavored to suppress them.

Many tragic fights took place and bitter feuds sprang up between men of the same race and country, whose misfortunes were due only to a common foe. At the present time the followers of Marshal Tito outnumber many fold those of Gen. Mihailovic, who acts under the name of the Royal Yugoslav Government. Of course the Partisans of Marshal Tito are the only people who are doing any effective fighting against the Germans now. For a long time past I have taken a particular interest in Marshal Tito's movement and have tried and am trying by every means to bring him help. A young friend of mine, an Oxford don, Capt. Deakin, now Lt.-Col. Deakin, D.S.O., entered Yugoslavia by parachute nearly a year ago and was for eight months at Marshal Tito's headquarters.

On one occasion they were both wounded by the same bomb and became friends. From Col. Deakin we derived a lively picture of the whole struggle and its personnel. Last autumn we sent a large mission under Brigadier MacLean, member for Lancaster, he having joined the Foreign Secretary and me at Cairo to report. He has now entered Yugoslavia by parachute. I can assure the House that every effort in our power will be made to aid and sustain Marshal Tito and his gallant bands.

What then is the position of King Peter and the Royal Yugoslav Government in Cairo? King Peter as a boy of 17 escaped from the clutches of the Regent and with a new Royal Yugoslav Government found shelter in this country. We cannot

dissociate ourselves in any way from him. He has undoubtedly suffered in the eyes of the Partisans by the association of his government with Gen. Mihailovic and his subordinate commanders.

Here in this island we are attached to the monarchical principle and we have experienced many blessings of constitutional monarchy. We have no wish or intention of intruding our own ideas upon any particular country. Greece, Yugoslavia, and Italy all will be perfectly free to settle the forms which their governments shall take so far as we are concerned once the will of the people can be obtained under conditions of tranquillity.

The saddest case of all is that of Greece. Every one recalls with sentiments of admiration the way she met the attack upon her by Italy and then by Germany. It is painful to see the confusion and internecine strife which has broken out in Greece attended by so many instances of treachery and violence, all of which have been to the advantage of the German invader who watches with contemptuous placidity Greek killing Greek with munitions sent to them for the purpose of killing Germans.

It was a grand advantage to meet for the first time Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek and his wife. The Generalissimo is a world figure and the main hope and champion of China.

Most of our time in Cairo before we visited Teheran was taken up in discussing the policies to be pursued against Japan, the best means of pressing forward the war in India and the Pacific theatre with the utmost energy and the fitting of plans into the priority requirements of the Atlantic and Mediterranean theatres.

At Teheran the long-desired triple meeting between Marshal Stalin, President Roosevelt and myself was at length achieved.

The question is asked, I have heard, if the good relations established at Moscow and Teheran proved durable or if they faded during the weeks that have passed. Does the Pravda statement, for instance, or do articles which are appearing in various organs of the Soviet government, imply a cooling-off in Anglo-Russian or American Russian friendship and a rebirth of suspicion of her western Allies on the part of Russia? I feel fully entitled to reassure the House on that all-important point.

None of the ground made good at Moscow and Teheran has been lost. The three great Allies are absolutely united in their action against the common foe. They are resolved equally to pursue the war, at whatever cost, to a victorious conclusion and they believe that a wide field of friendly co-operation lies before them after the destruction of Hitlerite tyranny. It is upon such prolonged intimate and honorable association that the future of the world depends.

I took occasion to raise personally with Marshal Stalin the question of the future of Poland. I pointed out that it was in fulfillment of our guarantee to Poland that Great Britain declared war on Nazi Germany and that we had never weakened in our resolve even during the period when we were all alone and that the fate of the Polish nation holds a prime place in the thoughts and policies of His Majesty's government and the British Parliament.

Stalin Declared For Free Poland

It was with great pleasure that I heard from Marshal Stalin that he too was resolved upon the creation and maintenance of a strong integral independent Poland as one of the leading powers in Europe. He has several times repeated these declarations in public and I am convinced they represent a settled policy of the Soviet Union. Here I may remind the House that we ourselves have never in the past guaranteed on behalf of this government any particular frontier line to Poland. The British view in 1919 stands expressed in the so-called Curzon Line, which deals at any rate impartially with the problem.

I have intense sympathy for the Poles—that heroic race whose national spirit centuries of misfortune cannot quench. But I also have sympathy for the Russian standpoint. Twice in her lifetime Russia has been violently assaulted by Germany. Many millions of Russians have been slain and vast tracts of Russian soil devastated as a result of repeated German aggression. Russia has the right of reassurance against future attacks from the west and we are going all the way with her to see that she gets it, not only by the might of her arms, but by the approval and assent of the United Nations.

(See Churchill, Page 11)

Sports Mirror

By PETE SALLAWAY

IN THE mail today was an interesting letter from Sid Anderson, well-known Victoria box lacrosse and Canadian football player, at present in training with the Canadian Navy at Cornwall, Nova Scotia. Anderson bemoans the lack of sports news of the west coast and tells us there is little in the way of sport to hold his interest down east.

While in Toronto for a month Anderson took in several of Toronto Maple Leafs home games in the National Hockey League. "Believe it, Pete, they looked like a poor show compared to our Army-Navy teams in the Coast League," Anderson states. "Down on the east coast here Bob Goldham (who was in Victoria last season to play a few games with the local Navy) and Red Garrett of New York Rangers are a two-man team at Cornwall, and they're leading the league. It's poor hockey compared to what I looked over in

good old Victoria last winter. Sure hope I finally get to some base where I will be able to get back into sport as I sure miss the activity. Say hello to the gang in Victoria and hope it will not be long before I get back."

The name William Hells has been in the sport news no little bit lately through his success on the major racing tracks of the United States. Hells, who has a definite threat for this year's Kentucky Derby in Olympic Zenith, paid \$66,000 for a yearling horse, the highest price in a dozen years. He paid \$55,000 for the stake horse, Attention, and wants to build the finest race track in the world, preferably in the New York area. Those are just a few of the things he has done. The oil industry knows him, too, as one of the most colorful of success stories. Hells is now operating on his fourth fortune. Ten years ago he arrived in New Orleans from California in a flivver and dead broke.

He broke into horse racing quite by accident only a little more than two years ago. There was a local-ride campaign in the autumn of 1942 to "save the Fair Grounds (racetrack) for New Orleans," and Hells popped up with an offer to swing a \$525,000 deal with his own checkbook. He now-ranks with racing's biggest operators, and you can get a rough idea from the fact that he has 38 two-year-olds, including the \$66,000 Pericles, in training at the Fair Grounds.

Hells knows nothing about horses, but he knew what to do when the gasoline and tourist shortage closed Florida racing last season. "Now is the time to buy," he told his friend and racing associate, Tony Pelletieri, the one-time New Orleans barber, who won the \$100,000 Santa Anita Handicap with the gelding, Bay View.

There came to the Hells barn in rapid succession Moscow II, Tropea, Salto, Alfois, Supermont, Attention and other horses, and finally there was the spurge at the Lexington Sales. Attention, son of Equipose, is to be the nucleus of an elaborate breeding establishment. Hells has temporarily leased part of Coldstream Farm, outside Lexington, Ky. The trainer is Ed Snyder, formerly with Cornelius Vanderbilt Whitney.

Cubans May Prove Gold Nuggets To Washington Club

NEW YORK (AP)—Washington Senators, or Nationals, possibly should be called the inter-nationals this year. Clark Griffith's roster looks like the roll call at a Pan-American conference.

They used to snicker a little when swart, stocky Joe Cambria, Griffith's one-man scouting staff, would disappear into the unexplored wilds of Cuba.

They knew that sooner or later he would turn up with nose rings on a half-dozen or so native specimens who could kill squirrels with rocks at 50 paces and could run like Whirlaway.

Usually these came field Walter Johnsons or Ty Cobbs got no farther than the Senator training camp, where the dutiful Bucky Harris would see they were given a chance to show what they couldn't do, which usually was bat.

STAY THIS SEASON

What happened to most of these duty-free imports is problematical, but there's little doubt as to what will happen to this year's crop. The seniors will be playing under the lights at Griffith Stadium and making Fenway Park and Yankee Stadium re-sound with strange noises.

The Senator roster has 11 men with names that might have been picked out of a Cuban telephone directory, and inasmuch as these athletes are not concerned with the service draft, they are baseball nuggets of great value.

There is one familiar name on the list. That belongs to Roberto Ortiz, whom we recall coming up a few years ago, labelled by Cambria as a pitcher. He didn't make the grade as a pitcher, but he was a big, rawboned guy who might develop into an outfielder, so he was shipped out to the minors. He's back as an outfielder now. We don't know his complete history, but know he hit .360 in 95 games for Chattanooga in 1942.

So maybe Griffith and Cambria will have the last laugh after all.

RUBELING SIGNED

PITTSBURGH (AP)—The signed contract of a Al Rubeling, Pittsburgh Pirate infielder, who came up from Toronto last year, was received from his home at Parkville, Md., Monday by the Bucs. President William E. Benswanger reported.

Two-Way Baseball



Ray Dumont, head of National Baseball Congress, explains to Ames Castle, left, and John Smythe, right, how new rules giving batter choice of running to first or third, might work out in trial at 10th annual semi-pro championship games in Wichita, Kans., Aug. 11-25.

North African Boxing Roundup

Cerdan World Threat

NEW YORK (AP)—From out of the recent Allied north African boxing championships, the word drifted today that Tony Zale, Mr. Big of the world middleweights, may have quite a scramble on his hands from the French sailor-flatter, Marcel Cerdan, if the war ends in time.

Generally, the soldier and sailor swatters in the week-long Algiers tournament were willing workmen with more clout than boxing class, despite the lapping of Larry Cisneros, the California lightweight, who was rated among the top dozen or so in the United States a couple of years back, and Florent Desmarais, who was somewhat better than green hand around New Hampshire and the rest of New England in 1942. Cisneros, who lost only eight of 57 pro fights in four years before joining the United States army, wound up with the welterweight crown and Desmarais took the lightweight title.

But the word on the thumping tar from France gave him the unanimous vote as the boxer most likely to succeed.

Before the tournament, he knocked off back Cisneros and Desmarais, and in winning the senior welterweight bauble, he flattened two of three Americans he met in a round apiece.

Marcel is no newcomer to the business of denting ears. In fact, the International Boxing Union recognizes him as the middleweight champion of Europe—or it did when last heard from.

He's 26, and has been punching his way around Europe and Africa since 1936. In 1940 he called it a career, temporarily, to join the French navy.

K.V.'s Hoop Teams Win Playoff Games

Two Victoria minor league basketball teams marked up victories Monday night at the High School over clubs from Duncan in the island playoffs.

K.V.'s junior boys turned back Duncan 30 to 14; K.V.'s mid-level boys defeated Fairbridge School 29 to 7, while Bob Whyte's mid-level girls' squad were blanked 25 to 0 by the Fairbridge girls.

Teams and scores follow: Fairbridge Girls—Duffy 9, Valentin 6, Dobbs 3, Wylie, Clabby 2, Armonson, Smith.

Victoria — Kennedy, Mattison, Warburton, Walter, B. Warren, S. Warren, Keast, Noye, Moses.

Fairbridge Boys—Todd, Mein 2, Duncan, Danks 2, Cowans 3, Pritchard, Dobbs.

K.V.'s—McKinnon 12, Poskett 4, Griffin, John 9, Mar, Minnis, Burnett 4.

Duncan—Cochrane 4, Gard 2, Hamilton 4, Prest 3, Evans, Bon-sall 1, Shortreed, Corfield.

K.V.'s—Castner 8, Ellis 2, Tooby, Browning 6, Page 8, Burton 2, MacMillan 4.

"Irish" potatoes were first developed in Peru, in the time of the Incas.

Chess Tournament

Results of games in the Victoria City Chess Club tournament follow:

N. R. Stewart 1, Panstone 0.
G. Jones 1, S. Stonier.
F. Plant vs. F. Strathairn (adjourned).
G. Jones 2, G. A. Laird 0.
S. Darvill 0, G. A. Laird 2.
J. Wadsworth 1, A. R. Sheard 1.
Standing in championship tournament:

N. R. Stewart 10, 3, 10
F. Plant 9, 4, 9
F. Strathairn 8, 4, 8
G. Jones 7, 4, 7
S. Stonier 6, 4, 6
F. Panstone 6, 4, 6
Games scheduled for Friday follow:

F. Plant vs. N. R. Stewart.
F. Panstone vs. S. Stonier.
J. Wadsworth vs. G. A. Laird.
A. H. Sheard vs. S. Darvill.
G. V. Wilkinson vs. G. Jones.

The championship tournament is drawing to a close. On Friday evening the game between F. Plant and N. R. Stewart will probably decide the championship.

OAK BAY GOLF

In the men's par competition Sunday at the Victoria Golf Club W. H. Newcombe was the winner, finishing all square. Col. R. L. Fortt and Eddi. Horsman tied for second, each with scores of 1 down.

GORGE VALE GOLF

In the men's tombstone competition at the Gorge Vale Golf Club Sunday J. Esplen planted

Benoit's Counter Gives Trail Close Win Over C.P.A.L.

VANCOUVER (CP)—The unofficial provincial senior hockey finals might develop into quite a series.

Trail Smoke Eaters have a lot of name players. New Westminster Lodestars, official champions now awaiting start of the Allan Cup playoffs, have the advantage of stiff competition all season.

Monday night as the series opened before a season's record crowd of about 6,500 fans, Trail was only able to eke out a 3 to 2 victory. The teams meet again at New Westminster Wednesday and wind up the series at New Westminster Friday.

The Trail defence was outstanding in the first period as Smoke Eaters grabbed a 1 to 0 lead on Joe Benoit's goal. Jesse Seaby, the lease-lend goalie from Nelson, was outstanding in the Trail nets.

In the second New Westminster deadlocked the count at 2 to 2, when Lodestars' Bus Brayshaw and Maurice Duffy counted while Ken Stanton tallied for Trail.

After only 52 seconds of the third period Benoit shot his second goal, again on a play with Bunnny Dame. It proved to be the winning goal as both teams failed to best opposing goalers for the remainder of the period.

LINEUPS

New Westminster — Young; Warshawski, S. Bentley; Fraser; Duffy, Wilson. Subs: Brayshaw, Lewis, Dotten, Downey, King, Smith, McIntyre.

Trail—Seaby; Morris, R. Bentley; Dame; Benoit, Stanton. Subs: Haight, Christiansen, Cronie, Buckna, Sullivan.

SUMMARY

First period—1, Trail, Benoit (Dame), 16:40. Penalties: Duffy, Morris.

Second Period—2, New Westminster, Brayshaw (Lewis-King), 12:7; 3, Trail, Stanton, 12:53; 4, New Westminster, Duffy 19:59. Penalties: Warshawski, Buckna.

Third period — 5, Trail, Benoit (Dame), 52. Penalty, Dame.

Royals Score Win In Juvenile Hockey

Royals scored two goals for the Royals, with Johnston notching the third. Stenmark tied both counters for the Senators.

Tonight, from 6 to 7, the juvenile all-stars will hold a workout in preparation for their trip to Nanaimo Saturday to open the island playoffs.

Juvenile all-stars are asked to attend a lecture Wednesday night at 8, at Gibson's Bowldrome, Yates Street.

Victorians Fight In Seattle Event

SEATTLE (AP)—It looks like Canada against the field in the annual golden gloves boxing tournament which opens here Wednesday night.

With more than 40 fighters registered for the big amateur event, the United States army's entries appear as the strongest challengers to the Canadians.

Army fighters will come from Fort Lewis, Fort Lawton, Paline Field and military units based in Seattle.

Canada will be represented by the eight winners and eight runners-up in the tournament that ended at Vancouver Saturday night.

His flag on the 19th green to win. W. Neilson finished on the 19th fairway to place second.

By Jimmy Hatlo

Cain Increases Lead Over Hockey Scorers

Boston Star Tops Carr By Three Points

MONTREAL (CP)—Herbie Cain of Boston Bruins increased his lead atop the National Hockey League official scoring race during the last week, moving three points up on Lorne Carr of Toronto in a week that was generally dull as far as the leaders were concerned.

The official figures released to day gave Cain 31 goals and 34 assists for a 65-point total, three ahead of his mark of a week ago, and three ahead of the present total of Carr, who had 60 points last week.

Doug Bentley and Bill Moskinko of Chicago remained in their third-place tie, but had Joe Carveth of Detroit pull up to share it with them. Each has 54 points.

One ahead of Carl Liscombe of Detroit and Elmer Lach of Montreal Canadiens.

GAME TONIGHT

Tonight's only league game sees the Chicago Black Hawks taking on the lowly Rangers at New York, and if the result is as expected, the Hawks will be sole possessors of the fourth and last playoff spot in the league standing.

At the moment the Hawks and Boston Bruins are still tied for that vital last playoff berth. A victory for Hawks would boost them within four points of the first-place Toronto Maple Leafs.

After their scoreless tie with the Maple Leafs at Chicago Sunday, the Hawks threaten to pour it on against the Rangers tonight.

That game at Chicago was not only without goals; it was without penalties, and that sort of thing can't last.

Scoring leaders follow:

	G.	A.	P.	Pts.
Cain, Boston	31	34	65	65
Carr, Toronto	28	32	60	60
D. Bentley, Chicago	26	28	54	54
W. Moskinko, Chicago	26	28	54	54
Carveth, Detroit	21	32	54	54
Liscombe, Detroit	21	32	54	54
Lach, Montreal	21	32	54	54
Guy, Boston	19	32	52	52
A. Bentley, Chicago	18	32	50	50
Bonard, Toronto	18	32	50	50
Pratt, Toronto	17	32	49	49
Howe, Detroit	16	32	48	48
Brayshaw, New Westminster	16	32	48	48
O'Connor, Canadiens	14	32	46	46
Stanley, Toronto	14	32	46	46
Dandridge, Toronto	13	32	45	45
Hollett, Boston-Detroit	14	31	45	45
Boothman, Toronto	13	31	44	44
Morris, Toronto	12	31	43	43
Gettiffe, Canadiens	20	18	38	38
Blake, Canadiens	18	20	38	38
Grosz, Detroit	10	28	38	38
W. Boston, Canadiens	12	25	37	37
J. Hamilton, Toronto	10	24	34	34
Chamberlain, Canadiens	12	22	34	34
Dahlgren, Chicago	14	19	33	33
Goulding, Boston	12	21	33	33
Calladine, Boston	11	21	32	32
Richard, Canadiens	10	22	32	32
A. Brown, Detroit	12	20	32	32
Majerus, Canadiens	10	20	30	30
Hollett, Boston	10	20	30	30
Allen, Chicago	12	18	30	30
Clappert, Boston	10	20	30	30
Hollett, Boston-Detroit	14	14	28	28
Boothman, Toronto	13	15	28	28
Morris, Toronto	12	16	28	28
March, Chicago	9	19	28	28
Heller, Rangers	9	19	28	28
Reagan, Detroit-Boston	7	21	28	28

Racing Results

HALLE PARK—Horse racing results here Monday follow:

First race—Three furlongs: Liberty Flight (Arcaro) \$5.30 \$2.70 \$2.40. Lanesburg (Remick) \$4.00 \$2.00 \$2.00. Time, 1:13 3/4. Also ran: Jug, Bryan, Stalon, Spidren, Spang, Centerville, Park Bench, Big Chance, Lots of Time.

Second race—Six furlongs: Arto, Patrol (Brooks) \$4.90 \$2.10 \$2.30. Bright Guest (Atkinson) \$4.00 \$2.00 \$2.00. Time, 1:14. Also ran: Dream Fox, Fair Play, Quince, Little Bug, Absalom.

Third race—Five furlongs: Tidy Thing, Miss Cedar, Judy, Technician. Time, 1:04. Also ran: No Hum, Mervyn Leroy, Bon Alam, Keeke, Pittacur, Bartlett, Noddy, Bobby, Valina Joe, Wisp Brave.

Fourth race—Six furlongs: Vase Delusion (Riesd) \$5.40 \$2.30 \$2.70. The Killer (Thompson) \$3.10 \$2.00 \$2.00. Time, 1:14. Also ran: No Hum, Mervyn Leroy, Bon Alam, Keeke, Pittacur, Bartlett, Noddy, Bobby, Valina Joe, Wisp Brave.

Fifth race—Five and a sixteenth: Shamokin (Roberts) \$16.30 \$3.50 \$4.00. M. A. (Trent) \$10.00 \$2.00 \$2.00. Time, 1:04. Also ran: Gee Rat, Fifth, Zula, Copper Beach, Green Bush, Leaventh, Smart Sheila, Dandy Jim.

Sixth race—Mile and an eighth: Mark (Trent) \$22.00 \$10.00 \$3.90. Sweep Swinger (Pratt) \$3.50 \$2.00 \$2.00. Backstop (Beretta) \$3.50 \$2.00 \$2.00. Time, 1:53 1/8. Also ran: Fiddler's Bit, Arty, Nevada.

Seventh race—Mile and a quarter: Shamokin (Roberts) \$15.10 \$2.50 \$4.00. Rapidamente (Arcaro) \$3.00 \$2.00 \$2.00. Time, 2:03 3/4. Also ran: Chickadee, Mokanne, Baulk, Hasty Wire, Brill, Galant, Blue Water, One Link, Michigan Sun.

Eighth race—Mile and three-sixteenths: Riding Light (McMullen) \$20.50 \$8.00 \$5.00. First Draft (Rads) \$3.50 \$2.10 \$2.10. Time, 1:59 1/8. Also ran: Theesus, Golden Thorn, Clip Clop, Profile, Chance Grey, Llanero.

Hockey Standings

	W.	L.	D.	P.	A.	Pts.
Canadiens	28	4	7	171	84	63
Detroit	20	14	5	166	133	45
Toronto	19	18	4	175	146	42
Boston	16	20	4	175	197	36
Chicago	16	18	4	134	148	36
Rangers	6	31	2	128	241	14

Edmonton Vics Ice Veterans To Meet C.P.A.L.

EDMONTON (CP)—When Edmonton Vics, Alberta's lone entry in the Allan Cup scramble, hit the playoff trail next month against New Westminster Lodestars, their line-up will be studded with players who once had more than a passing acquaintance with things to do with the National Hockey League.

The roster leans more to age than to youth—the teams being what might be called an Allan Cup challenger that is a direct product of the impact of war on the sports front.

Some of the most prominent players of the club are Leroy Goldsworthy, Paul Runge, Louise Holmes, Earl Robertson and the Hanson Brothers, Oscar and Emory. The first four all had hitchhike in the N.H.L., with Goldsworthy, who served at New York for both Rangers and Americans, as well as at Montreal, Boston and Chicago, being one of the most travelled hockeyists of the last two decades.

Runge was with the old Montreal Maroons for a time and later was up with Art Ross' Bruins. In between times he was a prolific point-getter in various minor circuits, winding up with Dallas in the American Association during the 1941-42 season as a member of a Goldsworthy-coached club in the Texas centre.

ROBERTSON GAINED HEIGHTS

Robertson needs no introduction to hockey fans anywhere. As netminder for the amazing Amerks of a few years back, Robby hit the heights on more than one occasion. He put the stamp of success on his efforts finally being chosen all-star National Hockey League goal-keeper.

Holmes, always a grand defensive performer, spent most of his career in the minors, although Chicago Hawks had him up for a stretch at one time.

The Hansons, Oscar and Emory, are members of the hockey-playing family of that name from Camrose, Alta. They were more than passably good in the American Association, previous to cessation of play in that circuit.

Other members of the Vics include Jimmy Graham, who some 10 years ago was one of the most effective centre-men in amateur company anywhere; Jimmy Anderson, a good little forward in his time; Johnny Molyneux, one-time member of several of Al Ritchie's Regina aggregations; Tommy Brant, most of whose experience was acquired in intermediate circles and Ab Superstein, for a number of years a standout junior in and around Edmonton.

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An improved service, with a schedule of seven round trips daily instead of the present five, by the C.P. Air Lines, going into effect on or before March 15, was announced Monday by George I. Warren, secretary of the Chamber of Commerce, following a meeting of visiting C.P.A.L. officials and the chamber.

Mr. Warren said the service will be speeded up with the trip from downtown Victoria to downtown Vancouver taking one and one-half hours instead of the present two hours. This will be brought about by improvement of the tab service to avoid waiting at both ends.

Under the new schedule, the first plane will leave Victoria at 9:30 in the morning instead of 10, and the last plane from Vancouver will leave at 6 in the evening.

C. H. "Punch" Dickens, vice-president and general manager, Montreal, of C.P.A.L. expressed the hope his airline would be permitted to extend its Victoria service to Seattle. He explained that this contemplated service is now prohibited by regulations imposed by the Canadian government which prevent any Canadian company from making application to cross the international boundary, but that it is understood these regulations are only applicable for the duration of the war.

BENEFICIAL
 Mr. Warren, commenting on the statement made by Mr. Dickens, said that inauguration of a triangle air service, connecting the cities of Vancouver, Victoria and Seattle would prove of inestimable benefit to the citizens of this community and would provide Victoria with a service for which people are justified in asking, especially in view of the fact that Victoria is located on an

island and, so far, is entirely dependent on steamship and ferry services, it being impossible for any road connections.

With Mr. Dickens at the conference were: Dr. B. Wallace, assistant to the vice-president, Montreal; Grant W. McConachie, general manager, Edmonton; and J. W. Roberts, traffic representative, Victoria.

Legislative Notes

Premier Hart has a motion on the order paper that the House go into night sittings starting next Monday.

Colin Cameron, C.C.F., Comox, has an amendment on the order paper to the Premier's motion that the House go into committee of supply, which would have the Legislature regret that "in the government's presentation of the budget there is no due consideration to, and recognition of, the necessity of economic planning and fundamental social change in order to provide the continuance and expansion of productive employment necessary for the maintenance and increase of economic and cultural standards, and for the fulfillment of assurances that there will be peacetime employment for men and women when discharged from the armed forces."

Public Works Minister Herbert Anscomb, replying to questions on the order paper by Sqdn. Ldr. E. V. Findlay, Conservative, Esquimalt, informs the House that \$5,399 was spent in the last year on Sooke Road, from Island Highway to Sooke Village; \$481 on Quarantine Road, from Metchoin Road to Quarantine Station; and \$210 on Rocky Point Road, from Happy Valley Road to seashore, Rocky Point.

The government will again make a \$12,500 grant to Fairbridge Farm School at Cowichan, according to estimates of revenue and expenditure now before the House.

Extension of conciliation under the Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Act is noted in estimates. The vote for this branch has been increased from \$17,690 to \$32,520, and will add three new conciliators, several new stenographers and an assistant to the secretary-registrar.

Estimates provide for increases in the Provincial Board of Health. New positions this year will be a public health engineer and chief sanitary inspector; a consultant in milk and food control; a sanitary inspector; four consultants in public health nursing. Vote for the board of health has been increased from \$232,230 to \$258,490.

In Police Court

Three reserve army men appeared in city court today on charges of neglecting to attend militia parade. John Arnaud, Frank E. W. Easton and William Hohlachoff were each fined \$5.

Joseph H. Michaud was found guilty and fined \$5 on a charge of obstructing the free use of the sidewalk on Government Street Feb. 12. In his evidence, Michaud said: "I was stopping persons to sell my wares." His counsel, P. J. Sinnott, saw no difference between this and persons who say: "Buy a tag, sir?"

Gordon Cameron who appeared for the Selkirk Lumber Co. Ltd., charged with depositing material on Garbally Road, contrary to city by-law, reserved plea and asked for an adjournment for a week.

Six motorists paid parking and traffic fines totaling \$30.

1 Million Acres Of Denuded Land Not Reforested

One million acres of denuded land or ten per cent of the productive land in the B.C. coastal region, has not been reforested or regenerated, and the situation is aggravated every day that logging operations are carried on, C. D. Orchard, chief forester for the province of British Columbia, told Mr. Justice Gordon McG. Sloan, royal commissioner, at the forest inquiry being conducted at the Court House today.

Approximately 75,000 acres are logged in the coastal area in a year, Mr. Orchard said and explained that 50 per cent of the area would regenerate itself, and the other 50 per cent would be barren.

"We plant 12 to 15,000 acres a year or about 10 million trees in reforestation but we'd have to plant 30 million a year to keep abreast of cut and natural wastage," he said. "Our present program takes care of but one-third of the requirements. The area of non-forested land in the coastal area is accumulating at the rate of 20,000 acres a year."

"Artificial planting is a last resort when the land is denuded and we should devise other means whereby we would not have to do so much planting," he said, suggesting the elimination of patch and strip logging and the leaving of the seed trees.

LOGGERS REPLANT

The situation might be helped, he felt if the logging camps would undertake to replant small portions of denuded land. Planting of 20,000,000 trees would require the employment of about 2,000 men for six weeks, Mr. Orchard said.

Regarding accessible and inaccessible timber, he stated the lumber industry with caterpillar tractors, trucks and highway roads are taking out timber that 15 years ago they never thought they could get.

Timber cut from the coastal area has amounted to 87.6 per cent of the average cut of the whole province over the past five years, including 1943, the chief forester said. The other 12.4 per cent is the interior region cut.

H. W. Davey, counsel to the commission, queried Mr. Orchard at length on the B.C. Log Scale, "which purports to give in board feet the amount of lumber that can be taken out of any tree." When asked by Mr. Justice Sloan which was the best scale for B.C., the board foot or cubic foot measurement, Mr. Orchard stated that theoretically the only rational scale for measurement of raw wood was "the cubic foot."

"However, the present scale is working very satisfactorily with regards to sawmills and it would be a bad job to a big industry to change," he said. "I don't think it would be wise to change."

"I would not advocate a change from board feet to cubic feet in so far as sawmills are concerned."

WASTAGE

Pulp mills use all of the log, with the exception of the bark, Mr. Orchard said, and stated that the B.C. log scale gave the pulp mills the benefit of any allowance for waste—waste which the mills did not experience. The commissioner commented that a factor of the present log scale was the wastage, which did not occur in pulp operations.

Questioned on the E. & N. land grant, Mr. Orchard said that a 1938 survey disclosed 670,557 acres to be of merchantable timber.

Helen Keyworth Dead

Miss Helen Storey Keyworth, 27, graduate of the Royal Jubilee Hospital and well-known in Victoria and Sidney, died Sunday in Vancouver General Hospital.

The daughter of Rev. Thomas Keyworth, she was born in Cranbrook, B.C., and had spent many years in this city. A brother, Melbourne, is a prisoner of war in Tokyo.

Funeral services will be conducted Thursday at 3 in Sands Mortuary Chapel.

B.C. Police Boat Joins Search for Victorian

The B.C. Police boat, P.M.L. 7, which has been stationed at Fitzhugh Sound, was en route to Adenbroke Point today to join in the search for 25-year-old Thomas Southron of Victoria, member of the crew of the Kelly Logging Co. tug Marmion, who has been missing since 10 Sunday morning.

His master of the tug, Capt. Harold Hanson, conducted a 20-mile search Sunday in an effort to locate Southron, who left the tug in a rowboat Monday smaller craft joined in the search.

B.C. Police headquarters here were advised today no sign of Southron or the rowboat had been found.

Duncan and Prince George

civil servants this week formed branches of the Provincial Government Employees' Association, bringing the total number of units to 27 and membership more than 3,000 persons, according to officers of the Victoria branch.

With Our Servicemen

Flt. Lt. Robert Stanley Ballantyne, D.F.M., R.A.F., known to his many friends in Victoria as "Buster," is reported missing in action Feb. 21. Dr. John Sturdy received notification from the air casualties officer one hour after he received a letter from the flier describing his latest tour of operations.

Flt. Lt. Ballantyne had completed 38 raids as air gunner in his first operational tour, during which time he received his decoration, before being posted to an instructional post at Patricia Bay. He left here at the end of October to resume his active duties.

One of the first members of a fighter squadron in France at the outbreak of war, Flt. Lt. Ballantyne was at the evacuation of Dunkerque, and saw a great deal of action over Berlin and Hamburg. He was a member of the famed Pathfinders' Club. The missing flier's family resides in England.

Pte. Cyril E. "Sid" Galt, R.C.A., son of Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Galt, 275 Crease Avenue, was wounded in action in Italy, Feb. 12, first anniversary of his enlistment in the Canadian army, his parents have been advised. Extent of his wounds was not disclosed. A native of Victoria, Pte. Galt was educated at Tillicum School and went overseas last summer.



Sub-Lt. William Giles, whose wife lives at 111 Gorge Road, has recently arrived in Britain for duties with the Royal Canadian Navy.

Back from overseas to take an officer's training course at O.T.C., Brockville, Ont., Cadet W. J. Russell is spending leave with his parents, Maj. and Mrs. W. R. Russell, 1416 Hampshire Road. He went overseas two and a half years ago with the 1st Battalion, Canadian Scottish.

Langton Adams, son of Mrs. Muriel Adams, Hagan Road, Brentwood, who went overseas two years ago with the tank corps, writes his mother that he is now serving with the Canadian divisions attached to the 8th Army in Italy. Prior to going to the front, Langton was married in England, his honeymoon being cut short when his unit embarked for the Mediterranean area. Telling of the bad weather conditions in Italy early this year, Langton said it was frightfully cold and wet. While writing he used a water tank for a desk and wore three sweaters and an army overcoat.

TOWN TOPICS

The Victoria Central Club (C.C.F.) will meet Wednesday night at 8 at Woodmoor Hall.

A permit for a \$3,700 six-room home at 1345 Minto St. was issued by the city building inspector's department today by B. Gault.

St. Mary's Men's Guild will meet Thursday evening. Capt. W. Ord will introduce the discussion on the works of Dickens.

Guilty of retaining stolen goods Leonard Jackson, 19, was fined \$25 by Magistrate H. C. Hall in Esquimalt court Monday.

Improvements on Springfield Ave. to relieve conditions there arising from inadequate drainage are sought from the city by James Fairall.

Inquest into the death of George Plithe, 17, killed Saturday in a traffic crash at Oak Bay Avenue and Bank Street, will be conducted at 10 Wednesday morning at the Thomson Funeral Home, Dr. E. C. Hart said today.

Thieves Take Beer, Cigarettes From Store

Theft of 34 cartons of cigarettes and 28 cartons of beer from Fulmer's Drug Store, 1301 Esquimalt Road, was reported to city police today by Esquimalt Police.

Robert E. Day, 2923 Sumas, said his gasoline ration book had been stolen while Mrs. C. M. Leuder, 1155 Fairfield Road, reported the theft of a light generator from her son's bicycle.

D. Slade, 604 Cornwall, told police his garden gate had been removed and hung on a telephone pole.



CPO. Torpedo Coxswain Percy Swetnam, one of the veterans of the Canadian Navy, has recently been promoted from PO. Son of Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Swetnam of Cordova Bay, he joined the navy 20 years ago and holds the navy's long service and good conduct medals. He was born in Stoke-on-Trent and has resided in Victoria since 1912, attending Oaklands School. He has served on the destroyers Patricia, Skeena and Vancouver, as well as two Royal Navy ships, Iron Duke and Warspite. His wife lives at the Westholme Hotel.

P.O. Lawrence H. Stewart, mentioned in dispatches for outstanding work in air operations which gained him a place in the New Year's honors list, is a brother of Mrs. L. Moore, 2160 Bartlett Avenue. Stewart, 24, was born in Minotia, Man., joined the R.C.A.F. in February, 1940, trained in Calgary, Mossbank and Brandon, and since has been attached to the eastern command. Many of his Minotia friends now live on Vancouver Island. Five serving with the forces. Bash, with the Cameron Highlanders, was wounded at Dieppe; William, at Dafoe, Sask., with the R.C.A.F.; Guy, with the Winnipeg Rifles; James, with the P.P.C. L.I.'s; and Alex, with the equipment depot overseas.

"Canadians are fighting like fiends in Italy," Maj. W. S. Gresswell, D.S.O., told his parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Gresswell, 2564 Graham Street, in a letter received this week from the Mediterranean war theatre. He also remarked on the mail service. In January he received a letter from the senior Gresswells, mailed by them in January, 1943. It had traveled all around the Near East, including Mesopotamia, before it finally reached him.

Home on Leave is Charles "Chuck" Callow (E.A.), R.C.N. V.R., formerly employed at Andrew Sheret Ltd. He will return shortly for duty on the east coast. Born in Victoria and educated at South Park and Victoria High Schools, "Chuck" left this city in April last year. His wife, Mrs. Mary Callow, lives at 650 Dune Street; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Callow, at 430 Parry Street.

Lightship in Strait Of Juan de Fuca

A lightship has been established by U.S. authorities in the Strait of Juan de Fuca, according to an announcement made today by C. P. Edwards, Deputy Minister, Department of Transport, in Ottawa.

Position of the lightship is approximately 9.5 miles 320 degrees from Cape Flattery light, in latitude N. 48° 30' 40", longitude W. 124° 53' 12", (taken from Canadian Hydrographic Service chart No. 307, edition Feb. 1943).

The lightship will display a group flashing white light showing two flashes every 30 seconds: Flash, 5 seconds; eclipse, 5 seconds; flash, 5 seconds; eclipse, 15 seconds.

Fog signal, a chime diaphragm air horn, will sound two blasts of two seconds duration every 30 seconds: Blast, 2 seconds; silent, 2 seconds; blast, 2 seconds; silent interval, 24 seconds.

All vessels of more than 1,000 tons gross entering Juan de Fuca Strait must close this vessel with in signal distance and identify themselves.

2 Hurt in Pile-up

Lieut. E. C. Scott, Gordon Head Camp, and Pte. F. C. Armstrong, Yates Street recruiting station, suffered injuries Monday afternoon in a pile-up at Hillside and Shelbourne.

Lead Famine Near, Says Professor, But Lots of Aluminum

Aluminum is one metal with an unlimited use quantitatively. Metallurgy Professor Frank Forward of U.B.C. told the University Extension Association group meeting last night under President Kenneth Drury in the Junior High School auditorium.

"There is not much lead left in the world and not so much copper," said Professor Forward. "New discoveries of these metals are not keeping up with the depletion of reserves. It won't be more than a few years before we are running out of lead."

"But with aluminum there is no limit at all because four or five per cent of the earth's crust is aluminum."

In 1870 after aluminum was discovered it sold at \$300 a pound, he said. The price dropped steadily until it was 23 cents a pound at the beginning of this war. Now the price is 15 cents, with prospects of it selling at 10 cents before long.

"When we run out of copper for electric conductors, we shall use aluminum," Prof. Forward went on. "But when we run out of lead I do not know what we are going to do, because we have no other metal that has the properties of lead. We might do better to conserve lead by charging higher prices for it now, so that other metals will be used in place of it wherever possible. There are certain uses that can be filled only by lead, for instance, the lining for tanks for acids."

Prof. Forward, with charts thrown on the screen, detailed the physics of new metal alloys, their treatment and the secrets of their strength or other qualities to be found in their atomic structure and altered crystallization.

He said growth of the science of physical metallurgy had been one of the phenomena of recent years. In 1890 U.S. steel industry had only one man working on research. Now there are immense laboratories in the steel plants.

"When the war is over and producing companies come to postwar production and are not dependent on specifications set by government departments, the demand on the part of industry for scientific information on metals is going to be greater than ever," Prof. Forward said. "The private industrial operator will need every help he can get from science and engineers to meet the competition with which he will be faced."

Christian Jew Says Jews Still Escaping Nazis

Despite all Nazi persecution, Jews are still escaping from occupied Europe today, according to Rev. Jacob Peltz, general secretary of the International Hebrew Christian Alliance of Chicago. He is visiting Victoria during a tour of western Canada in connection with this organization and is the guest of R. B. Malter, Beach Drive.

"These Jews get out through the underground movement," Mr. Peltz said. "They either sneak over the border or are brought out through the Hebrew Christian Alliance. They come through the neutral countries, Sweden, Spain, Portugal, Turkey or through Palestine."

There is one thing that we all agreed on at Teheran above all others to which we were bound in solemn compact, and that is to fall upon and smite the Hun by land, sea and air with all the strength that is in us during the coming spring and summer.

It is this task to which we must vow ourselves every day anew. It is to this ordeal that we must address ourselves with all the moral virtues we possess. The task is heavy, the toll is long, the trial will be severe. But let us all try to do our best, to do our duty. Victory may not be so far away and will certainly not be denied us in the end.

Mrs. M. Hobson, 36 High Street, Blackpool, N., Lancashire, England, is seeking her cousin, living in either Vancouver or Victoria, to whom she will be known by her maiden name, Mabel Schofield. Mrs. Hobson, too, knows only her cousin's maiden name, which was Nellie Thurlby. It is believed the former Miss Thurlby has one daughter and a husband who is a carpenter.

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receive British sterling in return for their passage out of the country. England became a clearing depot, receiving more than 100,000 Jews in temporary settlements and 40,000 who were absorbed into the country's economic structure.

Among these were many non-Aryan Christians which the Hebrew Christian Alliance settled in Uruguay, Paraguay, Brazil, Peru and Argentina. Those with guarantees of support or with a definite means of livelihood went to Palestine and a few to Australia, New Zealand and North America.

FROM KIEV GHETTO
 "Mr. Peltz knows his subject when he talks of Jewish persecutions, for he grew up in the town of Mikoliev, near Kiev, in Czarist Russia. His family lived in the ghetto in constant fear of the periodic Jewish persecutions that took place under the Czar's rule."

"My father was a fur manufacturer and traveled a good deal," he said. "Because he was a Jew, he had to have a passport, even to move about in his own country. I remember one time when I was about 14, seeing my mother closing all the shutters and bolting the doors. A parade of drunken men, among them priests, were coming down the streets, breaking into homes."

Finally, through an agent, the family bought their way out of Russia and came to New York in 1908. There Mr. Peltz turned to Christianity through studying the New Testament, and found that, as he said, "by becoming a Christian I loved the Jews better."

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My hope is that generous instincts of unity will not depart from us in these times of immense exertion and grievous sacrifice and that we shall not fall apart abroad or at home and so become the prey of the little folk who exist in every country and flock alongside the juggernaut car of war to see what fun or notoriety they can extract from the proceedings.

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Unconditional surrender means that the victors have a free hand. It does not mean that they are entitled to behave in a barbarous manner nor that they wish to blot out Germany from among the nations of Europe.

If we are bound, we are bound by our own consciences to civilization. We are not to be bound to the Germans as a result of a bargain struck. That is the meaning of "unconditional surrender."

There is, I gather, in some quarters a feeling that the way to win the war is to knock the government about, keep them up to collar and harry them from every side. That I find hard to bear with Christian patience.

Looking further abroad, it is also election year in the United States, and that is a time when naturally a lot of rough things have to be said about Great Britain and when popularity is to be gained in that vast community in demonstrating Americanism in its highest forms. We are ourselves accustomed to the process of elections and I think we should not allow ourselves to be

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The lowest or any tender will not necessarily be accepted.

E. S. MICHELL,
City Purchasing Agent
City Hall, Victoria, B.C.
Feb. 22, 1944.

Trees Discussed At Forest Inquiry
Methods of log scaling, topography of British Columbia, and the various types of timber found in the province, were discussed by C. D. Orchard, chief forester for B.C., at the afternoon session of the forest inquiry held in the Courthouse Monday, with Mr. Justice Gordon McG. Sloan, as royal commissioner.

Most valuable commercial species of timber was the Douglas fir, Mr. Orchard said. Discussing Lodgepole Pine, he told the court that vast resources of wood in this pine had not been tapped.

F. S. McKinnon, forester in charge of the economics division of the forestry department, gave evidence before the inquiry.

Today's Crossword Puzzle

HORIZONTAL
1 Pictured former U.S. president.
2 Zachary
3 12 Type measure
4 12 Biller larch
5 12 Slime coin
6 12 Type of moth
7 12 Storehouse
8 12 Symbol for rhenium
9 Passage between two rows of seats
10 22 Street (abbr.)
11 24 Road (abbr.)
12 Lieutenant (abbr.)
13 Nova Scotia (abbr.)
14 Intersect
15 30 Bar by estoppel
16 Swiss river
17 32 Pronoun
18 name
19 34 Laughing
20 37 Staff of life
21 37 Cloth measure
22 40 Father
23 41 One (root).
24 42 French article
25 He was one of the U.S.
26 47 Girl's name
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Uncle Ray

CANADIAN BIRDS CHANGE FEATHERS AND BARK MATING SEASON

So far as anyone has taken note, the skins of people do not change color with the seasons. A white man seems to be just as white in summer as in winter, and a negro is as dark in January as in July.

In the animal world, many beasts and birds keep their colors through the year, but others make interesting changes. The Arctic fox and Arctic hare are furry animals which turn white in winter to match the snow-covered ground.

The PTARMIGAN has a SUMMER and WINTER DRESS

Hundreds of kinds of birds make color changes. In most cases these changes are not very great; the feathers simply become less bright and cheerful as summer turns into autumn.

Certain birds, however, become as white as the Arctic fox or Arctic hare. Almost all of the "ptarmigans" do that. These birds are common in some parts of Canada, Alaska, Siberia and northern Europe.

Ptarmigans are members of the grouse family, and one kind goes by the name of "willow grouse." Another kind is the "rock ptarmigan."

Ptarmigans change their snow-white feathers in spring and summer to brown, black and gray.

At the present time, willow grouse with white feathers may be found in several southern districts of Canada, especially in Manitoba. When spring arrives, these birds will fly northwards, many of them going to the Barren Grounds.

Warm weather will put color into their feathers, and the males will carry on their old plan of winning favor with the females. To do this, they will sail about in circles, uttering hoarse cries. Each male, after a kind of barking, will alight at the same spot from which he started his circling flight.

Although they are able to fly fairly well, willow grouse and other ptarmigans are chiefly ground birds. Their nests are made on the ground, in the midst of moss. The usual number of eggs in a nest is from 7 to 13.

Most ptarmigans do not enter the United States, but the Rocky Mountains have white-tailed ptarmigans which live on high peaks as far south as New Mexico. Seldom are they seen at any point less than a mile and a half above sea level.

THIS WAR—FOUR YEARS AGO
Feb. 22, 1940—British warships reported off Murmansk in the Arctic to blockade German-Russian shipping in Norwegian waters. Finland called men 44 to 46 years of age to the colors. R.A.F. downed two Nazi bombers off English east coast.

HARRY WILHELM DIES
UNIONTOWN, Pa. (AP)—Harry L. Wilhelm, 69, pitcher for the Pittsburgh Pirates in the days of Honus Wagner, died Sunday at his home in nearby Republic.

Palestine for Jews Urges Rabbi Stern

Pleading the cause of the national home for the Jews in Palestine, originally brought about by Britain's Balfour Declaration in 1917, Rabbi H. J. Stern, L.L.D., told members of the Canadian Club Monday in an address on "Palestine and World Peace" of the persecutions, hopes and demands of the Hebrew race.

He told of the tragedy of the appeasement policy of Great Britain in 1939 when the Jewish commonwealth in Palestine was interrupted in its work of rehabilitation, recultivation and re-establishment of a home for the wandering Jewish nation. The Jews were to be limited in their immigration, he said. Land sales to them were to be restricted. They were to constitute no more than one-third of the population of Palestine, and the Arabs were to have the final decision in the government of the country, but he hoped that the world would follow the Churchillian belief that the White Paper must be nullified and the essential needs of the Jews repaid.

The Jews proved themselves loyal and gallant allies when Rommel stood at the gates of Alexandria; Egypt remained neutral and the Arabs disloyal, he said. Then, he said, Jewish Palestine stood the test. Thirty thousand young Jews volunteered for the British Army, 200,000 took part in the active war effort, the laboratories and facilities of the Jewish University in Palestine were opened for the use of the Allies. Thousands of Jewish doctors and nurses volunteered for service on the battlefield or wherever needed, and a stretch of 1,300 miles of road across the desert was organized and kept open by Gen. Kisch, a Jew from Haifa who was killed at Bizerta. Today, 1,500,000 Jews serve on the side of democracy in the field of battle, he said.

"Palestine for the Jews" is more essential than ever due to the persecution of the race in Hitler's Europe, he said, as he outlined three demands of the Jewish people for an honest effort to rescue all victims of Axis persecution and brutality in Europe; that the pledge made by Britain be kept regarding the Jewish commonwealth, and that Jews may live in freedom and be given the right to earn their daily bread wherever they live throughout the world.

Rabbi Stern was introduced by Lt. Col. Eric Pepler, who presided in the absence of the president of the club, Rev. George Biddle.

Rabbi Stern was thanked by Dr. W. G. Wilson.

OUR BOARDING HOUSE, with MAJOR HOOPLE

WHY, I THOUGHT YOU KNEW, MAJOR—THAT SCREWY STATUARY WAS A THOTH, A RUSTY OLD EGYPTIAN GOD OF WISDOM!—WELL, WITH THE REWARD STUFFED IN YOUR POCKET, IT COMES OUT JUST LIKE IN THE MOVIES, DOESN'T IT?

THOTH? OH, YAS, TWIGGS, I KNEW—NOW SUPPOSE WE BRIEFLY REVIEW HOW WE DEDUCED IT WAS THE THOTH THAT ODD CHAP WANTED AND THEN HOW WE DISCOVERED HIM!

DO HE SAY 'WE'?

WASH TUBS

IT LIKE SOME SOUVENIRS FOR A GIRL FRIEND, EH, SELANGA. LET'S LOOK THIS STUFF OVER.

EASY!—AND WHO'S THE WOMAN?

TRY THESE ON, MAAM—JUST TO SEE HOW THEY LOOK.

BACK SO SOON, PERRY? DIDN'T YOU FIND CAPTAIN EASY?

YES, I FOUND HIM! AND I WISH ID NEVER CAME TO BURNHAM.

MR. AND MRS.

By Arthur Folwell and Ellison Hoover

DON'T FEEL SLEEPY, THINK I'LL SIT UP AND PLAY SOLITAIRE.

WHAT DO YOU BET I GET 'EM ALL OUT? YOU NEVER HAVE YET.

ALMOST GOT 'EM THAT TIME, ONLY NEED THIS KING.

TURN—OUT THAT LIGHT!—Z-Z-Z-Z-Z!

ALL OUT AT LAST! THE BIG QUESTION: TO WAKE HER AND BE CALLED DOWN OR WAIT TILL MORNING AND NOT BE BELIEVED?

BOOTS AND HER BUDDIES

By Martin

BOOTS, DIDN'T YOU THINK STEPHEN ACTED RATHER PECULIARLY WHEN HE LEFT THE HOUSE THIS MORNING?

YES, I—I VIBE!! WHAT'S THAT?

HEY—LOOKIT!!

HOW DO YOU LIKE IT—OUR NEW CAR?

OUR?

NEW?

ALLIE OOP

By V. T. Hamilton

LOOK, ALLIE! KING GUTZIE HAS FREED ALL THE MOOVIES THE GORILLAS HAD KIDNAPED!

YEH, BUT WHAT'S WRONG? HIS SUBJECTS DON'T SEEM TO BE TOO HAPPY ABOUT IT.

LET'S GO SEE

HI-YAH, GUTZIE! I SEE YOU FINALLY GOT HERE!

WELL, WELL, ALLIE OOP! MYSELF!

AH, GENTLEMEN! WHILE PRAISING YOUR INTREPID MONARCH FOR LIBERATING YOUR FROM DURANCE VILE, SAVE A CHEER FOR THE HERO WHOSE UNTRIED EFFORTS AIDED YOUR KING IN HIS BOLD RESCUE!

AW, SHUCKS!

PER PETE'S SAK! US HALF STARVED AND ALL WE GET IS HOT AIR!

THAT BIG STUFFED BUREAU!

AND TO PROVE I'M NOT, I'LL SING SEVEN NUMBERS!

(Answer to previous puzzle)

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